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## ► ► Before the 'Phone Bell Rang

### *"The Experimenters" at Brown University and Their Share in the Invention of the Telephone*

BY DR. WALTER LEE MUNRO — BROWN '79

► ► PATENT NO. 174,465, "the most valuable single patent ever issued," on which is based the whole towering, world-wide structure of the telephone was granted to Alexander Graham Bell, March 7th, 1876, (which, incidentally, happened to be Bell's 29th birthday.

Electrical science was still in its infancy; so slender was its vocabulary that Bell, in his patent application, could find no better words to describe his invention than "An Improvement in Telegraphy."

The application had been filed February 14th, 1876; it had gone through the routine of the Patent Office in the phenomenally short time of 21 days as compared with the two years or more usually required. This apparent haste in granting it was afterward adduced in litigation as in evidence of collusion between Bell and the patent examiners.

That the patent was strong was amply demonstrated later, when through 11 long years of litigation and over 600 law suits, five of which were carried up to the Supreme Court, it was everywhere sustained.

It is interesting historically, and became of prime importance in litigation, that on that same date, February 14th, 1876, when Bell filed his "application" Prof. Elisha Gray, his ablest competitor, filed a *caveat*. But Bell's application was entered at No. 5 on the day's records and Gray's at No. 39. Furthermore Bell's application declared that his invention had been completed and was accompanied by a model, while Gray's *caveat* simply stated that he was about to make an invention and warned others to keep off his claim.

► PROFESSOR BELL had his patent but the most important part of his work, that of developing the "Telephone," as his invention came to be called, was still before him. His model was crude in form and so heavy and clumsy as to be totally unfitted for the purpose it was to serve. Moreover it *had not yet spoken a word*. It had transmitted music and various uncouth sounds, but never human speech. It was scoffed at and ridiculed by the few who took the trouble to notice it at all.

The next year was a time of feverish activity for Bell and his assistant, Thomas A. Watson. It began auspiciously, for on March 10th, only three days after the patent was issued, the instrument *spoke* for the first time. It carried from Bell in his attic laboratory on Court Street, Boston, to Watson in the electrical shop on the ground floor the curt but distinct message: "Mr. Watson, come here; I want you." Imagine what that brief sentence meant to them, what an impetus it gave to their work.

► MEANTIME there was at work on the same problem in the physical laboratory of Brown University at Providence a little group of scientists, Prof. Eli Whitney Blake, Prof.

John Peirce, Dr. William F. Channing (M. D., Univ. of Penn; son of the distinguished Unitarian divine; electrical expert; inventor of the Fire Alarm Telegraph), and several others.

This little coterie of scientific men was always spoken of by Professor Bell, somewhat patronizingly, as "the experimenters." So they were, in fact, experimenters, but so, too, was he an experimenter.

When Bell heard of their activities, he was much annoyed, wrote them "a sharp letter" and warned them to desist; but when he talked with them and found that they were working purely in the interests of science with no thought of commercial gain, he was mollified and thankfully received from them early notice of every step in advance they were able to make. He afterward acknowledged his indebtedness to them for assistance in a general way, but very seldom as regarded any of their specific discoveries, which frequently anticipated his own.

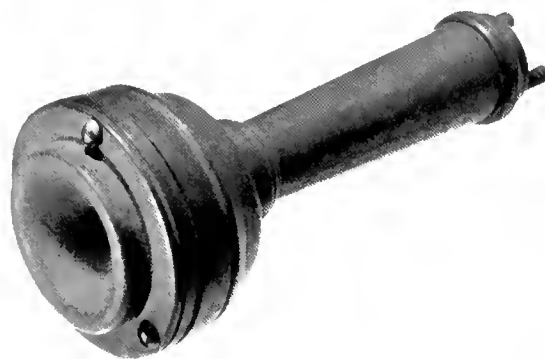
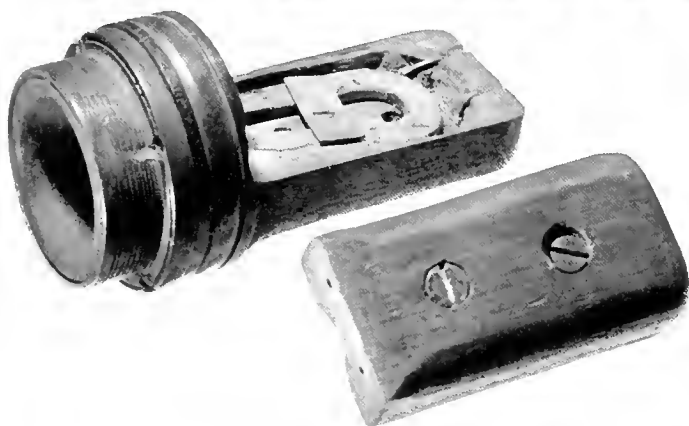
To the Association of Telegraph Engineers in England, he said "These gentlemen have been carrying on experiments seeking to perfect the form of apparatus required, and I am happy to record the fact that they have communicated to me each new discovery as it was made and every new step in their investigations."

► THE Experimenters have long since gone the way of all flesh; but there still remains a diminishing number of men, all members of the Class of '79 and students then under Prof. Blake but all now octogenarians, who took a more or less active, albeit humble, part in these researches and recall clearly many details.

William Ely Ph.B., Brown '78 (but at that time a member of the class of '79) now of Providence, R. I. and Coronado, California, spent much of his spare time in the laboratory, working under the eye of, and frequently assisting Professor Blake. James H. Earle, of Cranston, R. I. and R. Clinton Fuller of Providence, still have pairs of receivers, which were made at that time, illustrating different stages of development. Earle and John J. Greene, now dead, strung a wire between their rooms in the first and third divisions of Hope College and were conversing back and forth early in 1877. Earle and his roommate James L. Wells, constructed a phonograph, of their own designing, which was able to announce over the telephone from one room to the other that "Mary had a little lamb."

The telephone as patented, and as shown at the Centennial Exposition 3½ months later, was a clumsy instrument weighing, with the oblong square sheet-metal box in which it was enclosed, more than 10 pounds. It had for a diaphragm, a circular piece of gold-beater's skin to the centre of which a metallic armature was glued.

For speaking and listening purposes, for the single instrument of that date was both transmitter and receiver, there was a tube two inches long in the centre of one side of the box: not a very handy contraption especially when you



**MR. BELL WAS INDEBTED:** The Brown University "Experimenters" and their products. Left to right above, Professor John Peirce, Professor Eli Whitney Blake, and Dr. William F. Channing. Below at left, the "Experimenters'" first portable hand telephone. Right, their "Butter-stamp" portable, changed in few essentials later. Both receivers were made by James H. Earle.

consider that it had to be used both as transmitter and receiver, being shifted back and forth between the mouth and the ear of the operator. One of the early exchanges posted conspicuously the warning "Do not Try to Listen with your Mouth or Speak with your Ear." Occasionally an opulent subscriber would acquire two instruments so as to use them simultaneously in his two hands.

► It is impossible to assign to any one member of the Brown University group credit for an individual discovery for they worked together harmoniously as a team. Their motto might well have been that of the Three Musketeers "One for all and all for one." Since it had recognized unquestioningly Prof. Bell's basic patent, the problem of the Brown group was to perfect his instrument to a convenient, portable and handy form while at the same time improving its sound-convection. It is certain that in developing and educating the young telephone they were always abreast and frequently in advance of Bell and his assistant in Boston.

The membrane diaphragm was speedily discarded both by them and Bell and active search made for some better device. This involved on the part of Prof. Blake countless experiments as to material, its thickness and most efficient area to be employed.

The early diaphragm had been too large superficially, (even, in some experimental cases as large as four and one-half inches in diameter.) Ferrottype plate, such as used in making daguerreotypes and tintypes, proved to be the ideal

material. Many of the diaphragms used by amateur investigators were actually made from old family portraits. Harlow (in "Old Wires and New Waves," published in 1936) quotes Cowell, as "telling of a man, in recent years, examining an old telephone, preserved in Vermont, and finding on the diaphragm a portrait of one of his own ancestors."

► THE various dimensions as then worked out remain practically unchanged in the hand-receiver today.

Prof. Peirce worked out the proper size, depth, curve and width of aperture of the funnel-shaped mouth-piece which was designed to centre the voice on the diaphragm.

The box container with its infinite capacity for producing reverberations was discarded as unnecessary and worse than useless. Bell's idea of a resonant chamber was definitely abandoned.

The horseshoe magnet had been relied upon to provide the magneto-electric current. On one pole of this magnet a soft iron core was fastened on which a "coil" was mounted. Affixing this core on the flat surface of one pole of the magnet was a difficult chore, in the absence of any machine tools save files, taps and drills. Moreover it made it impossible to centre either pole of the magnet on the centre of the diaphragm and unavoidably enlarged the size of the container for the instrument.

When this job was completed the whole mechanism was enclosed in an oblong square box of black walnut, with the

mouth-piece and diaphragm at right angles to the magnet, the completed instrument being about  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inches square and  $6\frac{1}{2}$  inches long. This was the first hand receiver worthy of the name and represented a very great advance. J. H. Earle's receivers of this model are still in his possession, and are of fine workmanship though still too large to be easily grasped by a woman or child. Dr. Channing has been credited by some with having constructed the first receiver of this type.

► **FEELING** that they were now ready to report progress, Prof. Blake, who lived at that time in Mr. Rowland Hazard's house at 45 Williams Street, invited many prominent members of the community to a demonstration, and asked William Ely to assist him.

The wire was strung between the reception-room, just within the front door, and the study at the other end of the long hall, with a telephone at either end. Ely happened to be listening at the receiver in the study, where Prof. Blake was completing his preparations, when he heard a familiar voice at the other end of the wire and said "My father has just come in, I hear his voice; were you expecting him?" Prof. Blake was dumbfounded and elated for not even in their wildest flights of fancy had the scientists dreamed of the possibility of recognizing individual voices.

This demonstration was given in the late winter or early spring of 1877. The black-walnut box-telephones, used on that occasion were much smaller than any previously made, and that may be one reason for the voice being more distinct than with previous receivers, as the resonant chamber was reduced to a minimum. These were the last box-telephones with horseshoe magnets made at Brown.

► **ONE** day shortly thereafter, William Ely while laboring with a file to shape the soft-iron core to the pole of the magnet had a brilliant inspiration. Turning to Prof. Blake, who was standing beside him, he said, "Why can't we use a bar-magnet, round or octagonal, so that we can simply slip the coil right over the end of the bar and centre it on the diaphragm and do away with all this slow and tedious work?" After mulling it over for a minute with his head down, Blake straightened up and said, "We can; we'll make the next ones that way." So was born the idea of the hand-receiver with which everyone is familiar.

This bar-magnet type of receiver, by eliminating altogether the resonant chamber produced a still clearer and more distinct tone. It was dubbed by Prof. Peirce the "butter-stamp receiver" from its resemblance to that then common object in many a household. The details of the casing of the butter-stamp were worked out by Edson Salisbury Jones, another of "the Experimenters," though as William Ely says, "the case could not well have taken any other shape when you consider what it had to contain." Earle still has a beautiful pair of "butter-stamps," almost identical externally with the receivers of today, which he turned out at that time from mahogany on the lathe at his home in Cranston. The tubular shaft, which one grasps, is about  $1\frac{1}{16}$  inches in diameter, a shade smaller than the receiver now in use.

The first pair of these receivers was carefully wrapped, packed and sent to Prof. Bell with the cards of Professors Blake, Peirce and Doctor Channing, without having been seen or used by anyone in Providence outside of the Brown group.

Although this was a wise move, quite a number of the laboratory group were a little disappointed that the clearer tones of these instruments were not first generally known in Providence. (Ely, who watched them while they prepared the package remembers that Profs. Blake and Peirce were smiling when packing these new type receivers and wished

they could observe Prof. Bell's expression when first seeing them, and also hear his remarks. The Brown group would all have liked to have been there when they were opened.)

► **THE** writer remembers vividly the morning in May 1877 when there appeared in the *Providence Journal* a description and illustrations of Prof. Bell's telephone. "Prof. Blake came into the lecture-room in a state of great excitement, a copy of the paper in his hand and addressed the class substantially as follows: 'Gentlemen, you have seen the announcement of Professor Bell's telephone in this morning's paper. You are all familiar with the instrument; some of you have yourselves made them. I want to tell you that some time ago Prof. Bell came down from Boston to compare notes with Prof. Peirce, Dr. Channing and myself. He told us that he had mastered the principle of the telephone but had been unable to devise a receiver which was not too cumbersome for use. We showed him our receiver with which you are all familiar. I ask you to compare that with Prof. Bell's as pictured in the paper today.' It was Professor Blake's hour of triumph, for he knew that the class knew whereof he spake."

The improvement in clearness of sound and distinctness of articulation with the use of the new instrument, was very marked.

"This hand-telephone as made by the Experimenters was adopted and sent out early in June 1877 by the Telephone Company and its portability, elegance and superior articulation contributed largely to the rapid diffusion of the telephone which immediately followed."

When in England, speaking before the Society of Telegraph Engineers and acknowledging his indebtedness to the Brown University group Prof. Bell said "In order to show the parallel lines on which we were working, I may mention the fact that two or three days after I had constructed a telephone of the portable form containing the magnet inside the handle, Dr. Channing was kind enough to send me a pair of telephones of a similar pattern, which had been invented by the Providence experimenters."

► **GEORGE B. PRESCOTT** in his book on "The Telephone" published in 1879, when the subject was still new and the details clearly in mind, described Prof. Bell's portable telephone and says of it "The instrument was too cumbersome and inelegant for adoption, as well as defective in construction. The instrument was not adopted." It still employed the horseshoe magnet.

Mr. Prescott's book was written with the avowed purpose of covering as closely as possible the whole field of electrical invention so as to award credit where credit was due. He visited all the principal inventors in the field of electricity, described and illustrated their various devices and displayed a fairness and impartiality which gave added weight to his facts and findings.

To quote Mr. Prescott further: "The instrument thus referred to (as shown and described by Prof. Bell in his talk before the Telegraph Engineers) is an accurate representation of the handle telephone of (the Brown University group) which has had so wide a career, and differs broadly in type from the experimental instrument of Prof. Bell, which never passed into use. Prof. Bell not only claims the origination of the handle-telephone, which has gone around the world and has a recognized place in the history of speaking-telephony, but he also implies that he gave to the telephone portable form, thus ignoring one of the principal contributions of the Providence Experimenters. . . . It will be observed that Prof. Bell is criticised here, not for claiming that he had made a straight magnet telephone, but for claim-

ing this, in combination with the handle, and figuring this combination, which constitutes the well-known handle instrument as his own. His real claim is to the independent experiment of putting a U magnet in a handle subsequent to the construction of the genuine handle instrument in Providence."

This conclusion by a qualified, unbiased observer, after thorough investigation, while the trail was still recent and fresh, carries conviction, if any is needed, that to the little group at Brown University belongs the credit for the invention of the "handle-telephone" receiver, and that the disparaging title of "experimenters" became an honorable one since through successful experimentation they attained their goal by designing and making a receiving telephone that was immediately adopted and has been in well-nigh universal use, throughout the world, for more than 60 years.

### *The Coming of King George*

▶ ▶ THE campus was in a furore on March 23rd when the *Daily Herald* announced, tongue in cheek, that King George VI would receive an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws at the Brown University Commencement. According to the story, "this is the first time that a reigning English Monarch has ever received an honorary degree from an American university, and it is the only scholastic recognition which King George will accept on this trip. Brown is singularly honored."

No other American newspaper carried such a story that day, and the *Herald* proclaimed it a scoop. Actually, it was the annual hoax perpetrated by the retiring board of the *Herald* in its last issue in charge of the undergraduate newspaper. But it was so well done that faculty and undergraduates alike were taken in by it. All of the reaction was not that of elation, for many a senior grumbled as he read: "President Wriston explained yesterday that a number of changes would be instituted in the traditional Commencement exercises as set forth in Brown's 175-year-old Charter. Because of the number of official invitations which the royal visit will necessitate, seniors will be given only one ticket each. No others can possibly be issued, except to 150 prominent alumni."

Not only was the Brown campus taken in by the hoax, but the editors of *The Dartmouth* wrote scornfully of Brown's bid for "bigtime publicity" and added the hope that "New England higher education was strong enough by virtue of its own worth to let the biggest publicity chance of a generation pass by without climbing on the bandwagon."

The *Amherst Student*, however, said that Brown could "puff out its academic chest." "All this is the work of Brown's new President Wriston," the editorial continued, "who was called in to save Brown from sinking back into another low class urban diploma mill. Admittedly this is a publicity degree, but it is indicative of great work that is being attempted. Investigate details of stiffer entrance requirements, a more progressive curriculum, an improved faculty, and the beginnings of a better physical plant."

The editors of the *Herald* for 1938-1939, relieved of their duties as the new board took over, laughed and laughed and laughed. ◀ ◀

### *Dr. Mead at Commencement*

▶ DR. ALBERT D. MEAD, Professor of Biology, Emeritus, at Brown University, will give the Graduate School Convocation address at Brown University on June 17, 1939, the subject being "The Species Complex."

P. S. This is no hoax.

## Mare Nostrum ◀

▶ ▶ THE Seekonk has been a busy river this spring, and the Brown University Yacht Club members have been responsible for the flourishing condition of sailing in that logical setting. Its schedule provides for dinghy racing on virtually every weekend in May, as it did for April, with competition including intercollegiate, interclass, interfraternity, and interscholastic regattas.

New commodore is Russell W. Field, Jr., '40 of Barrington, R. I., who succeeds Ralph L. Fletcher, Jr., '39. He commands a fleet of 13 Dyer dinghies which are in constant use under official University sponsorship and the faculty supervision of Professor Zenas R. Bliss, navigator of Harold S. Vanderbilt's last two Cup defenders.

The season opened with a convincing victory in competition with Boston University. Georgetown had to give up an attempt later in the month when their crews had difficulty in completing their journey over the road. Against B. U. the score was 105.58, with Brown sweeping the first four places in the last two races.

▶ THE East's first major intercollegiate regatta came on April 22nd and 23rd when Brown was host to clubs not belonging to the Intercollegiate Yacht Racing Association. This meet served as a qualifying test for one of the Association's regattas later and drew competitors from American International, Amherst, Boston College, Boston University, Holy Cross, Middlebury, New Hampshire, Northeastern, Rhode Island State, the Coast Guard Academy, Wesleyan, and Worcester Tech. Races, run off in two divisions, were keenly sailed. Northeastern, Holy Cross, B. U., and New Hampshire were the leaders.

On the weekend of April 29th and 30th, Brown skippers sailed in the Intercollegiate Yacht Racing Association dinghy championships for the Henry A. Morss Memorial Trophy under the auspices of M. I. T. Nautical Association on the Charles River Basin, Cambridge. The event was open only to member colleges: Brown, Cornell, Dartmouth, M. I. T., Princeton, Trinity, Tufts, Pennsylvania, U. S. Naval Academy, Williams, Harvard and Yale. The annual meeting and dinner of the association was held Saturday night.

The big event in home waters will be Brown's semi-annual invitation regatta on the Seekonk Saturday, May 13, a feature of Junior Week. Member colleges of the I. C. Y. R. A. and invited guest clubs will be eligible to compete for a trophy. The following day there will be a freshman regatta between Dartmouth, Brown, M. I. T., and Harvard.

Sunday, May 14th, will see Brown in action at the seventh semi-annual Boston Dinghy Club Intercollegiate Challenge Cup Regatta on the Charles, one of the largest in the East. A dual meet between Brown and the Coast Guard Academy is scheduled for May 17th at New London, while New Hampshire will be host to Brown for a dual meet on May 21st. A dual meet with Harvard is also listed.

▶ A RECORD number of applications have already been made for the annual Brown interscholastic regatta, which will be held this year on May 20th. For the first time a handsome trophy contributed by Chapin S. Newhard '22 of St. Louis will be up for competition, and it will be a perpetual trophy for this schoolboy event. That the regatta is already beginning to serve a purpose in helping young skippers to think of Brown was shown in the past year when several members of the freshman class said that the opportunity to sail was the deciding factor in their choice of university.



*BROWN SAILS have presented many a colorful sight on the Seekonk this Spring.*

A Providence alumnus has also made a \$25 contribution for use in offering prizes at regattas, while the Providence Brown Club has also assisted in this regard.

Fraternity competition is underway, with weekly regattas scheduled, and the first races saw 11 houses represented. These are essentially novice affairs, in contrast with the intercollegiate races where the crack skippers are in action. But the boating program at Brown is intended to reach all down the line of abilities, to teach the beginner and give him a chance to sail as well as the expert. This year the fraternity series is open to non-members of the yacht club as a promotional stunt, to keep the boats in full use and broaden the appeal of the sport. Another year will probably see a permanent trophy provided for the Greeks. Delta Phi was the early leader in the 1939 series, followed by Phi Kappa Psi, Alpha Delta Phi, Theta Delta Chi, Psi Upsilon, Sigma Chi and Delta Tau Delta.

But not all is racing at the yacht club. Sunday afternoons the club and its equipment are at the disposal of members and their guests, including girls. This experiment was a success from its first afternoon, with half of the dinghies having girls for crews. Other social events include yacht club dances and smokers, while lectures by yachting authorities are another part of the program. Jack Wood, in charge of the M. I. T. nautical activities, showed some of his pictures of ocean racing and Bermuda one night, while Professor Bliss is always in demand as a speaker.

► THE Brown fleet now numbers 13 dinghies, contributed by Brown classes, the Associated Alumni, individual alumni and friends of the University, including Mrs. Harold S. Vanderbilt. For all requirements the club needs seven more boats to complete a flotilla of the size desired for regattas and everyday use. The dinghies, offered to Brown at \$50 less than the usual price, cost \$275, and the donor may have the satisfaction of seeing his name inscribed on a plate at the stern of the dinghy.

The University has recognized the sport officially and stands back of the program, one of two institutions to act in this way, the other being M. I. T. Elsewhere dinghy racing is on a purely informal and individual basis. The University maintains the new \$10,000 clubhouse, the launch used as a crashboat, and a full-time steward. Members of the yacht club, in number to about 75 undergraduates, pay five dollars dues annually, some of which goes to offset the University underwriting of the program, the rest going toward speakers, prizes, social activities, etc. A. Chester Snow '07, chairman of the board of governors, is giving a great deal of his time and thought to the project, and its healthy growth is a tribute to his enthusiasm and judgment.

Sailing is a year-round activity in the waters about Providence, and Brown undergraduates are sharing importantly in it. In addition to the busy fall and spring regatta seasons, several students compete through the winter in the frost-bite races held by the Narragansett chapter of the American dinghy racing association. Kenneth A. Wood '40, vice-commodore of the club, won the association's winter series, sailing the dinghy appropriately named "Brunonia" to victory over some of the East's best skippers. ◀◀

#### *Candidates for the Brown Corporation*

►► BROWN graduates will shortly be casting their votes for candidates for two imminent vacancies on the University Corporation, one open to Baptists and one to Episcopalians. Candidates for the Baptist vacancy, nominated by the Advisory Council of the Associated Alumni and approved by the Corporation committee on qualifications, are: Leon Stearns Gay '06 of Cavendish, Vt.; Eugene LaVerne McIntyre '04 of Milwaukee, Wis.; and Alfred Bertrand Meacham '06 of New York City. The graduates will also select an Alumni Trustee from the Episcopal ranks, the following having been nominated and qualified: William Davis Miller '09 of Wakefield, R. I.; Arthur Lloyd Philbrick '03

of Providence; and Dr. Emery Moulton Porter '06 of Providence.

Biographies of the candidates appear on the ballot, together with the reminder that "an election is void unless ballots are cast by at least 30 per cent of those entitled to vote."

In the same election, although on other ballots, an alumnus member of the Athletic Council will be chosen, together with an entire slate of officers for the Associated Alumni, as announced in the last issue of the ALUMNI MONTHLY. ◀◀

### *From the Society of the Cincinnati*

▶▶ THE Society of the Cincinnati in the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations has voted to give to Brown University the sum of \$500 each year for two years for the establishment of a fellowship in American History. This fellowship will be awarded to a graduate student who plans to pursue his advanced study in American History in the period of the Revolution and the Confederation.

This generous gift is a recognition, on the one hand, of the Colonial origins of Brown University and its relationship to the developing course of American History. On the other hand, it is a recognition of the distinctive library resources of the University in the field of American History, the most notable of which is the John Carter Brown Library of Americana.

The Rt. Rev. James DeWolf Perry, Bishop of Rhode Island, is President of the Society and Mr. John Nicholas Brown, a member of the Board of Fellows of Brown University, is Treasurer. Mr. William G. Roelker is a member of the Fellowship Committee of the Society.

The holder of this fellowship will pursue his studies under the general direction of Professor James B. Hedges and Professor Carl Bridenbaugh of the Department of History, and Dr. Lawrence C. Wroth, Librarian of the John Carter Brown Library. ◀◀

## The Fund Must Grow ◀

▶▶ STRESSING the growth of the Brown Alumni Fund since 1934 as the incentive to reach the 1939 goal of \$50,000 by June, speakers at the annual spring dinner of fund trustees and class agents called for a campaign to put the fund over the top and show that the University under President Henry M. Wriston is going steadily forward.

Vice President James P. Adams represented the University and headed the list of speakers that included Thomas F. Gilbane '33, Clinton C. White '00 and W. Granville Meader '05, chairman of the Alumni Fund trustees. James S. Eastham '19 of Boston presided, and Nelson B. Jones, Jr., '28, acting secretary of the fund, reported present 85 class agents and trustees representing all classes from 1884 through 1938.

Citing figures, Mr. White said that in 1934 there were 1,057 contributors against 3,104 in 1938. "In 1934 10 per cent. of the alumni contributed; in 1938 it was 42 per cent. In 1934 the total contributions were \$15,000; in 1938, \$35,000."

Mr. White praised the organization that Mr. Meader had created to increase the fund and the number of contributors, and quoted treasurer's reports to show the "heroic economies" practiced by the University in the depression years.

After pointing out the physical changes completed and in progress at Brown since President Wriston assumed leadership, Mr. White emphasized the fact that "Brown's expenses were less last year than eight years ago," and that the "need of Brown for income, as of all privately endowed institutions, is greater today than ever before because of the unusual conditions of today."

At the head table, besides the speakers, were Edwin C. Gammage '84, Dr. Edmund D. Chesebro '87, and A. H. Gurney '07. ◀◀





### *A Long Life and a Frugal One*

►► SCIENTISTS at Brown University see a possible cue for longer human life in experiments which have nearly doubled the life-span of one kind of lower animal by regulating its food supply.

A moderate diet during youth is the best preparation for a full and prolonged old age in *Daphnia longispina*, a tiny fresh water animal, according to the findings of Prof. Arthur M. Banta and his associates, Dr. Lester Ingle and H. Howard Dunham. They have experimented with thousands of *Daphnia* in the past five years.

By allowing the *Daphnia* a limited food supply when young, and then giving them a normal diet after maturity, the *Daphnia*'s vigor, growth and reproductive life were found to last from 42 to 51 days. The animals lived on the average only 29 days when they ate all they wanted during their whole lives.

A limited supply of food slows up their "rate of living," Prof. Banta explained recently. With little food the water-fleas could not burn up their youth because they could neither get nor use much energy. Organisms that use their quotas of vital energy rapidly die early, he said, while organisms that conserve energy and spend it slowly are apt to live longer.

► ALTHOUGH Prof. Banta made it clear that a close parallel between longevity in *Daphnia* and longevity in humans should not be drawn, he said that "it seems possible that the results of studies with lower animals may point the way to longer life for man.

"If conditions which affect the length of life in the lowly *Daphnia* carry over to man, and are reflected in human longevity, persons who lead very frugal lives until past middle age and then have generous living may be expected to live longest.

"Should we be able to prolong human life to a proportionate extent, the average expectation of life for persons reaching 20 years of age would approach 100 years, and humans might be reproductively active when they were 70 or 80 years of age.

"Limitation in quantity of food keeps the *Daphnia* in a youthful condition," Prof. Banta stated, "so that when they are well fed in later life, beginning at a time when most animals on an abundance of food have 'lived rapidly' and died, these semi-fed animals assume rapid rates of growth and reproduction. In one sense, their active life is just beginning. They are still young animals.

"As judged by the effects upon longevity, the most favorable period for the 'abundant life' is not during the early stages, but at a later period when apparently the body of the organism requires more favorable conditions if it is to continue working effectively."

Reversing the experiment by feeding the *Daphnia* abundantly in their youth, and then giving them a limited food supply after maturity, cut short the animal's life-span, recent experiments have shown.

► H. HOWARD DUNHAM, graduate student working under Prof. Banta's direction, has found that the water-fleas fed generously at first live only about 25 days if they are given a restricted diet in later life. They would have lived about 29 days with a normal diet.

"Apparently when a rapid rate of utilizing and expending energy becomes a fixed process in the youth of the *Daphnia*, it is impossible for the animals to adjust themselves to a slower 'rate of living' in later life," Prof. Banta said.

A parallel with human reaction under similar "recession" conditions in late life was drawn by Prof. Banta when he pointed out that "people who have generous living until old age approaches, and then have very frugal living or suffer real hardship, may be expected to live shorter lives."

A series of experiments conducted by Dr. Lester Ingle disclosed that *Daphnia* given a small amount of food during their entire lives, with no period of normal diet, lived nearly 40 percent longer than *Daphnia* well fed throughout life. They never reached normal size or normal reproductive activity, however.

*Science Service*, one of the news associations to report the researches of Prof. Banta and his associates, said that in their work "the American tradition, of starting life in a log cabin and winding up in the White House with a large family," had thus received biological support. ◀ ◀

### *Shocking Oyster Hearts*

►► If you electrocuted an oyster it probably would go soft and limp instead of contracting into the rigid muscular pattern shown by man and other mammals. This is one new finding, yet unexplained, disclosed in the studies of Prof. Ivon R. Taylor, Brown University physiologist, and Dr. Edmund M. Walzl, Johns Hopkins University Medical School, working in the biological laboratories at Brown this past year.

Drugs and electricity instead of chili and tabasco were used on the oysters and the scientists cut out many a meal of oysters, placing them in an electrocardiograph, a device adapted to record the electrical variations of muscles and their physical contractions under varying conditions.

Oyster hearts, like any others, give off electrical impulses as they beat. When the scientists gave them an additional shock of electricity it was found the electrical current caused a "relaxation" of the heart muscles instead of the sharp contraction generally found in mammalian hearts when electricity is applied. Scores of records establish this fact, but the complete explanation for it is still unsolved, *Science Service* reports.

Oyster hearts, like any others, give off electrical impulses with each beat. When Prof. Taylor and Dr. Walzl jolted the hearts with additional current and then looked at the recorded reactions, they found results quite contrary to what might have been expected.

They saw, to their surprise, that an electric current applied to the heart of an oyster causes "inhibition" or "relaxation" of the muscles instead of the sharp contraction generally found in mammalian hearts when electricity is applied that way.

To make their records, Prof. Taylor and Dr. Walzl had to cut out each oyster's heart and apply four electrodes to it. The heart itself is only about 3-16ths of an inch in diameter, but with three tiny chambers—two auricles and one ventricle—quite a complicated little organ.

Prof. Taylor and Dr. Walzl said that although the hearts have paper-thin walls and are very fragile, they will remain alive and beating in a salt solution outside the oyster's body for about a week. That, they pointed out, is one more indication of the marvellous strength of the muscle on which all higher life depends—an organ so complicated that it gives up its secrets grudgingly and then only to those who devote years to studying it. ◀ ◀

### *President of the Academy*

► DR. W. RANDOLPH BURGESS '12, vice-president of the National City Bank of New York, has been elected president of The Academy of Political Science, of which he has been a director for some time. ◀



## Change of Scene ◀



▶ ▶ WORK on the restoration of University Hall will begin immediately after Commencement and the reconstruction will occupy the major portion of the academic year 1939-40, according to Vice President James P. Adams.

When the building has been completely restored and is available for reoccupancy, it will be utilized to house the administrative offices of the University. Administrative offices and the departments of instruction now occupying the building will be provided for in other buildings on the campus.

The business offices, including the offices of the Treasurer, Bursar, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds and Purchasing Agent, were moved last month to the basement of Macey Hall. They will occupy this space until they return to University Hall in the spring of 1940.

Immediately after Commencement, the offices of the Department of History in University Hall and the offices of the Department of Political Science and Sociology in Rogers Hall will be moved to Prospect House. Prospect House will be withdrawn from dormitory uses and will be rearranged for use by these two departments. These two departments will probably occupy this

building until more adequate facilities are provided, in the form of a new building, for the departments of the social studies, Economics, History, Political Science and Sociology. It is hoped that such facilities may be provided in the relatively near future.

Immediately after Commencement the Department of Greek and Latin Classics will be moved to Waterman House adjoining the new wing of the John Hay Library. In this location, the Department will enjoy direct access to the new wing of the Library.

▶ IMMEDIATELY after Commencement, the Department of English will be moved to the house at 43-45 George Street which is now being reconditioned and rearranged for its use. When the administrative offices are transferred from the present administration building to University Hall in the spring of 1940, the administration building will be rearranged for the use of the Department of English.

The dormitory accommodations on the fourth floor of University Hall will be withdrawn from use for dormitory purposes. The building at 47-49 George Street, on the corner of George and Megee Streets, is

now being made available for dormitory use and will be utilized for this purpose beginning in the fall of 1939. Contracts for dormitory accommodations in this building may be made by students after May 1, 1939.

The mechanical shops of the Division of Engineering were transferred from Rogers Hall last summer to the Engineering Laboratory on Thayer Street. During March, the mechanical shops of the Department of Buildings and Grounds were transferred to the brick building, formerly used as a garage, behind Andrews House. The north end of the space in the rear of Rogers Hall, heretofore used as a wood-working shop by the Department of Buildings and Grounds, will be made into a general stock room for the use of the University as a whole and under the supervision of the Purchasing Agent. The space on the south end of the rear of Rogers Hall, heretofore used as a mechanical shop by the Department of Buildings and Grounds, is being made into a class room for the use of departments of instruction. The office on the second floor of Rogers Hall, now occupied by the Department of Political Science and Sociology, will be made into a seminar room for the use of the Department of Botany. The Department of Botany will then occupy the entire second floor of Rogers Hall.

The Administration is contemplating the possibility of making the present offices on the first floor of Rogers Hall, now occupied by the Department of Political Science and Sociology, into small class rooms for the use of departments of instruction.

The telephone switchboard now occupying a room on the first floor of University Hall will be transferred to the basement of Slater Hall and a new mechanical switching system will be installed for use in the fall of 1939.

The library of the departments of Germanic Languages and Romance Languages now housed in Marston Hall will be moved to the John Hay Library and the space in Marston Hall will be rearranged to provide more adequate office and class room facilities. ◀ ◀

### A Confidence Justified

▶ ▶ *The Saturday Review of Literature* has been polling the critics of America as to their preferences among the books of the past year. Held in high esteem was "Old Haven," David Cornel DeJong's fellowship novel for Houghton Mifflin Company woven out of rich memories of the old historic fishing town of Wierum, Holland, where he spent his childhood.

Recently a graduate fellow in English at Brown University, DeJong was the recipient of one of the two \$1000 awards made in 1937 by Houghton Mifflin. The sum was received in addition to the usual royalties and advances, which are implied in this annual award instituted for the purpose of encouraging writers of promise and financially assisting them in the completion of projected works.

That their confidence in the writer was justified was evident with the appearance of "Old Haven," which had a most cordial reception. Style and substance make it a book of more than the moment.

In a biographical memorandum to the publishers, DeJong speaks of himself as of pure Frisian stock. As a boy in Wierum, way against the northern dike of Friesland, he learned to skate at four and started school, learned the Dutch language, which, completely different from his native Frisian,

is the official language of the country. He also got a rudimentary knowledge of German and French. But English in grammar school was taboo because the fishing town of Wierum had never forgiven the English fishing fleet for having copped all the fish one season.

When he was 12, in 1917, his parents decided to move from the Netherlands, mainly because his Calvinistic father was opposed to military training for his sons. So they came to America, settling in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

At 18 he had learned some English, held a variety of little jobs, "when something aroused me sufficiently to make me think I needed an 'education.'" "Shakespeare," he says, "to me was no more than the name of a fishing tackle, and I thought a bust of Longfellow in the city park was that of some local dignitary. Through seeing a movie I started reading Stevenson's *Doctor Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*. That opened up vistas, and I read voraciously after that, making up my mind to get an 'education' at all costs.

"I went through a preparatory school for ministers, chiefly because it was handy, cheap, and approved by my parents, and finished there in the minimum number of years, working my way through, doing everything possible: clerking and soda jerking in a drug store after school, working in a bank on Saturdays, and during summer vacation working on roads, even digging ditches and cemetery graves."

Finally, he managed to scrape enough money together to enter Calvin College in Grand Rapids. While there, he was on probation for misbehavior, he recalls, all the time except the first two weeks, "probably a belated revolt of youth." At college he started writing poetry and had some acceptances, later following as successfully with prose. He got his M.A. at Duke on a thesis composed of his own short stories, with an introduction. By that time his stories had appeared in Scribner's, *Hound and Horn*, etc., and had been reprinted or remarked upon in O'Brien's anthologies. While at Brown, he was an editor of *Smoke*, and had his first novel published by Knopf, "Belly Fulla Straw."

### Mountain Delights

► HIGH praise continues to sound for "Folk-Songs from the Southern Highlands," collected and edited by Mellinger E. Henry '99 and published by J. J. Augustin, New York. "A labor of love," Professor Arthur Palmer Hudson of the University of North Carolina calls it, in a review in the *Southern Folklore Quarterly*. He says further: "It fully justifies the inclusive implications of its title. It is informed by a genuine affection for the country, the people, and the songs. Like its editor, whom every folklorist has seen at folk festivals and folklore meetings, it is a stout and hearty and happy book."

After referring to the general richness of the collection and several prize "finds," among the 180 titles, Dr. Hudson says, "Though the work of a self-confessed amateur, the editing has been done by a man who knows his way about in American folksong, as well as along mountain trails. . . . Since they (Mr. and Mrs. Henry) have traveled or lived everywhere in the mountain country, from the Blue Ridge of Virginia to the Great Smokies, their findings are comprehensively representative of Southern mountain folksong

The reviewer also refers to Mr. Henry's "extraordinarily readable introduction" which tells how the editor's delight in mountains, mountaineers, and mountain song was prompted and developed over the years.

### Hawaiian Leave

► PROFESSOR JAMES H. SHOEMAKER of the Department of Economics at Brown, granted leave of absence for the second semester, is in Honolulu on a Government mission this spring. Having accepted an appointment under the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, he is directing a study of "labor in relation to the economy of the Hawaiian Islands as a whole." He planned to consult the American Council of the Institute of Pacific Relations, of which he is a member, and other organizations. A half-dozen experts from the Labor Department accompanied him as his staff.

The survey would be finished in June, Professor Shoemaker said before he left, asserting that he planned to be back on the campus in the autumn. Professor Samuel J. Brandenburg of Clark University is conducting his course in contemporary forms of economic organization. According to the *Brown Daily Herald*, this course grew from a seminar group to a class of 150.

Professor Shoemaker will return to Providence this summer to complete a book on contemporary economic systems.

### Following Dr. Carmichael

► DR. NILS Y. WESSLE, recipient of the Sc.M. degree in psychology from Brown in 1935, will go to Tufts College next September as Director of Admissions and Dean of Undergraduate Men in the School of Liberal Arts. President Leonard Carmichael, who was Dr. Wessell's teacher here at Brown and later at the University of Rochester, said that the appointment was

"a step in developing the Tufts program of fitting the college and its work to the needs of individual students."

Graduate of Lafayette in 1934, Dr. Wessells studied psychology under Dr. Carmichael at Brown in 1934-35, won his Master's degree and was continuing work on the Hill when Dr. Carmichael resigned to join the Faculty of the University of Rochester. Dr. Wessell followed him, received his Ph.D., and last fall became director of the Child Guidance Institute at the University of Michigan. He is also a clinical pathologist at Butler Hospital, Providence, and Bradley Hospital, East Providence.

### Telling Objects Apart

► VISUAL discrimination, or the ability to tell objects apart, can be expressed in the same simple mathematical formula that governs other life-reactions to light, Professor W. S. Hunter of Brown University told his colleagues at the meetings of the National Academy of Sciences in Washington last month.

The formula to which Professor Hunter referred is known as the Bunsen-Roscoe law: "Intensity multiplied by time equals a constant." That is, the dimmer the light the longer you need to look in order to see a group of objects distinctly; the brighter the light the less is the time required.

In his study, Professor Hunter flashed light of varying intensities through translucent plates bearing groups of black dots, for time periods ranging from four thousandths to one-tenth of a second, while student volunteers watched and afterwards reported how many dots had registered themselves on their vision during the brief exposure time. Science Service carried the story nationally.

## ► It May Be the Best

### April Sports Results

#### Baseball

Brown 6, Rutgers 0  
Brown 7, Lowell Textile 0  
Amherst 5, Brown 0  
Brown 5, Yale 1  
Brown 10, Boston College 5  
Worcester Academy 6, Freshmen 1

#### Track

Brown 70, Holy Cross 65  
Amherst 71½, Brown 63½  
Brown 82½, New Hampshire 45½  
Freshman 85½, Amherst 40½  
Freshmen 72½, Holy Cross 53½  
Penn. Relays: Shotgun — McLaughry of  
Brown first; 100-yard dash — Clapp of  
Brown second.

#### Tennis

Brown 8, Bates 0  
Brown 9, Providence College 0  
Worcester Academy 7, Freshmen 2

#### Golf

Rhode Island 7, Brown 2  
Brown 5, Tufts 4  
Brown 5½, Maine 3½

► ► WITHOUT much real encouragement from the weather, Brown athletes last month embarked on what may well prove one of the best springs in recent sport history on the Hill. The baseball varsity started off well, with its pitching staff performing impressively. In track a few outstanding stars have support enough from second and third place winners to carry the team beyond average opposition and won two of its first three meets. Golfers and tennis players were barely in competition before the end of the month, and the best spring football practice within recollection kept another large contingent of athletes busy, too.

On the diamond Coach Jack Kelleher has rebuilt his team after wholesale losses by graduation that took eight of the 13 lettermen from 1938. The other five are: Cad Arrendell, senior from Oklahoma, who was converted from an outfielder to fill a gap at second last season; Charley Harkins, junior from Winthrop, Mass., centre field; Ed Pietrusza, from Thompsonville, Conn., shifted this year to the outfield after working at third last spring; Ray McCulloch, competent reserve pitcher last year, from Altoona, Pa.; and Captain Danny Hicks, handicapped in the early work by a leg injury.

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A new pitching star has come up from last year's freshman nine, Walt Juszczyk, a Rhode Islander, while Tom Nash, All-American football end, has taken a turn on the mound, along with Cheevers and Lally, all competent twirlers. Behind the plate the receiver is Lou Sigloch, a junior who gets his chance with the graduation of Bob Brush and Floyd Hinckley. Harry Platt of Yonkers, the basketball star, has moved into the first base vacancy, while John Marsolini, Brown Club Scholar from Boston, is the third baseman. Dave Redford of New London, a substitute outfielder last year, has come into his own this season and got two hits in each of the first three games. Bill Sheehan, a Providence sophomore, understudy for Captain Hicks at short, played well in his appearances in the lineup, too. Tourigny, outfielder, has also had his trials in competition, while Kelly, reserve catcher, has also seen action.

▶ RAINED out in two attempts to play Princeton, the team finally opened its schedule against Rutgers on an early New Jersey road trip. McCulloch and Juszczyk turned back the opposition with a single hit and no runs, as the Bruins won a 6-0 ball game. The former was the starting pitcher, yielding the lone hit in his five-inning turn and striking out five. Juszczyk fanned six in four innings, holding the Rutgers batters hitless. Neither Brown moundsman let loose support upset him, although his fielders, hampered by lack of practice outdoors, committed six errors. The Brunonians chased Coe in the fifth inning, sewing up the game with four runs. Leaders at bat were Marsolini, with a single and a triple; Redford, with a single and a double; and Platt, with two singles.

Again the opposition got only one hit when Lowell Textile went down 7-0 at Aldrich Field in the first home game. Juszczyk starred, striking out nine in the five innings he toiled, and Lally, Cheever, and McCulloch kept the enemy without a hit in the four remaining frames. Taking advantage of a loose Lowell defense, the Bear worked a bunting game to advantage, and Harkins and Redford led the hitters.

Brown had a dose of its own medicine when Amherst pitted a brilliant hurler named Williams against them. He held them to three hits and escaped trouble until the ninth, despite a tendency toward wildness. Even then he yielded no run although Sheehan lined a hard one to the outfield with the bases loaded, two out and the count three and two. Amherst took advantage of every opportunity in winning 5-0.

Although a drizzle and cold weather gave the pitchers no help, Juszczyk was the master of Yale on April 26th, fanning 11 and permitting only 5 hits in the eight-inning game abbreviated by darkness. Among his victims was Joe Wood, Jr., son of the Yale coach, who struck out three times. On two occasions Brown manufactured runs on a walk to Hicks, a sacrifice by Pietrusza, and a single by Platt, and they made the most of an erratic streak by the Elms during a shower to increase their lead. The final score was 5-1 for Brown.

▶ Two new records were features of the early weeks of varsity track competition, during which Brown beat Holy Cross and New Hampshire and lost to Amherst. After flashing through the 100-yard dash in 9.9 seconds at Amherst on April 22nd, Ken Clapp was clocked in the same time over a soggy track at Brown Field the following

week against New Hampshire. The latter performance was accepted as a Brown varsity record. John McLaughry twice surpassed his previous Brown varsity record in the hammer, breaking the Pratt Field mark at Amherst with a toss of 172 feet 11, after one of 172:5 against Holy Cross at Providence. His best last year was 170 feet 5 inches, the Brown record he established in the New England intercollegiate.



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**COACH KELLEHER: The Weather Man was no friend of his.**

In three meets, Clapp was undefeated in his eight starts in the sprints and low hurdles and had amassed 40 points for his team. McLaughry, undefeated in the hammer, had also added valuable points in shot and discus. Others whose every start was a winner were: Gosnell, in the discus; Kapstein, in the javelin; and Krause in the pole vault.

It was the discus which settled the Holy Cross meet, for the two teams had run through the afternoon neck and neck. With points needed in the final event, Gosnell threw the discus 133 feet 5.4 inches to give Brown a 70-65 edge. Captain Bob Clark had helped his team's cause along with a double victory in high jump and high hurdles. Holy Cross strength was greatest in the two-mile and 440, where she made a sweep.

Brown had enough first places against Amherst to win to hold the edge there, but lacked seconds and thirds to win the meet. In addition to those previously mentioned as unbeaten in their specialties, Art Lane took a first for Brown in the broad jump. Competition was close, and the only sweep of the day came when Amherst took all places in the high hurdles. The final was 71½ to 63½, maintaining Lord Jeff's record of not having been beaten at home for several years. Two years ago Brown came within a hair of spoiling that string, but her best was a tie.

Although New Hampshire held the Bear all even on the track, the field events went predominately to Brown, and the total for the day was 82½ to 45½. McLaughry, preparing for the Penn Relays but also taking time out in the middle of the event to pose with the rest of the track squad, had a close call in the hammer, when Sophomore Matt Flaherty of New Hampshire heaved the weight 170 feet. A series of special measurements was necessary before the Brunonian was declared the winner by 11¼

inches. McLaughry, who also won the shot, reported 11 points for the day. Clapp, competing only twice, and Klie, with sensational victories in the half and quarter mile, both had 10 points apiece. Chalee, by winning the 220 and taking a good second in the century, contributed eight points, while Captain Bob Clark added seven to the cause. Schuetz pressed his teammate Klie in the 440 when the latter turned in the fast time of 50.9 under adverse conditions. While New Hampshire swept the two-mile, Brown retaliated in the pole vault and shot put. Another notable mark was Gosnell's in the discus where his throw of 137 feet 9 inches was just short of Bob Pierson's Brown record.

A well-balanced Freshman team opened its season by defeating the Amherst freshmen 85½ to 40½. Milolas and Fisher were promising as they alternated in the first two hurdle positions. Clark took a 440, Day the hammer at 165:6, Patterson the javelin; Fisher the broad jump at 20:10; and Sandblom the shot. Ricciardi, who also won the discus, had a better height in the pole vault than the varsity winner. The high jump was all Brown. Star for Amherst was Sprinter Atleek, son of "Spike" Atleek, Brown '07.

The golfers were upset by Rhode Island State 7-2 as they teed off for the year. The Kingston team, with four of the outstanding junior golfers in the State in its lineup, sprang a surprise on the Brunonians. Jack Derflinger was the only singles winner, and he paired with Captain Fred Rhodes to take the other point for Brown. The other Brunonians were Bob Graham, Bill Paine, Bob Logan, and Don Brand.

### The Coaching Clinic

▶ SEVENTY-FIVE schoolboy coaches from Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Connecticut attended the seventh annual Spring Coaching Clinic held at Brown University last month. Almost all of the Brown coaching family gave talks and demonstrations for the benefit of the visitors: Jack McKinnon, conditioning; Mal Williams, track; Eck Allen, basketball; Leo Barry, swimming; Dick Cole, wrestling; Art Lesieur and Athletic Director Tom Taylor, hockey; Wally Snell, baseball; Tuss McLaughry, Denny Myers, and Earl Brown, football.

### Re-Scheduling Holy Cross

▶ BECAUSE their first scheduled encounter in Worcester Patriot's Day was rained out, Brown and Holy Cross have revised their baseball schedules in an attempt still to complete their original home-and-home hopes. Holy Cross was previously under contract to come to Providence on May 27th. Instead, Brown will journey to Worcester on that Saturday. The game in Providence will be held on June 10th, originally reserved for an encounter between the Brown varsity and alumni. A week before the Commencement season on the Hill, the Crusader visit to Aldrich Field should provide a fine attraction.

### Other Intramural Crocus

▶ INTRAMURAL championships in basketball and handball have been won by Delta Upsilon and Delta Tau Delta, respectively, according to a communication from Leshe E. Swan of the Department of Physical Education. Finalists and point standings in basketball were as follows: Delta Upsilon 14, Alpha Tau Omega 12, Phi Kappa Psi and Phi Gamma Delta 8, Psi Upsilon and

Zeta Psi 4, Phi Delta Theta 2, and Delta Kappa Epsilon 0. D. U. won the college championship by defeating Maxey Hall the club finalist.

D. T. D. won both singles and doubles crowns in handball. This was the standing in singles: Delta Tau Delta 12, Pi Lambda Phi and Phi Kappa Psi 10, Zeta Psi 8, Psi Upsilon 6, Delta Upsilon 4, Beta Theta Pi

2, Alpha Delta Phi 0. For the all-college title D. T. D.'s representative beat the Chemistry Club. In doubles, it was: Delta Tau Delta 14, Psi Upsilon, Kappa Sigma and Phi Kappa Psi 8, Alpha Delta Phi 6, Delta Upsilon 4, and Pi Lambda Phi, Theta Delta Chi and Zeta Psi. Tower Club, winner in the other league, was defeated by the D. T. D. team.

Borden D. Whiting '98 was master of ceremonies, and his short, friendly and graceful introductions hit a happy note. Dean Arnold outlined the new program of studies to go into effect next fall, told of changes on the campus, and gave illuminating sidelights on administrative personalities and problems and on undergraduate activities and attitudes. The Alumni Secretary made a plea for a high percentage of alumni balloting for Alumni Trustees, member of the Athletic Council, and Associated Alumni officers, and Coach Myers took over from there to show and comment on the football pictures in a way that kept everybody interested until the end of the Columbia game. Supper followed, with the alumni breaking up into small groups and with Coach Myers answering questions and talking about special plays until the committee gently led him and the Alumni Secretary away to a more quiet place.

Classes from 1889 through 1938 were represented at the meeting. A guest was Frederick A. Forbes '38, executive secretary of the Brown University Club in New York, who later acted as Dean Arnold's guide to a national broadcast at Radio City.

#### New York

▶ NEARLY a hundred members of the Brown University Club in New York met at the clubhouse Thursday evening, April 13, to greet the headliners from radio's most popular program, "Information Please." The star of the evening was John Kieran of the *New York Times*. With him was his brother and fellow newspaperman, Leo Kieran, well known for his feature stories, his work in the Hall-Scott murder case some years ago, and his trip against time around the world.

John Kieran told the story of "Information Please," answered questions from the floor about the program; and Leo Kieran related some of his newspaper experiences as a prelude to the real entertainment—a lively session similar to the weekly "Information Please," with the men at the head table acting as the so-called brain trust. They were the Messrs. Kieran, Ralph M. Palmer '10, vice president of the Club, Dr. Bruce M. Bigelow '24, and John T. Winterich '12, master of ceremonies. Guests from the National Broadcasting Company furnished the music.

The Club gave a luncheon on April 27 for Dr. George E. Bigge, member of the Social Security Board, who is now on leave from the Department of Economics at the University. Dr. W. Randolph Burgess '12, president of the Club, introduced Dr. Bigge.

#### Connecticut Valley

▶ DR. BRUCE M. BIGELOW '24, discussing admissions, and Coach D. O. McLaughry, showing football pictures and talking of prospects for 1939, were the magnets that drew a large number of Brown men and guests to the annual meeting and dinner of the Connecticut Valley Brown Club at the Hotel Stonchaven, Springfield, Wednesday evening, March 29.

At the head table with the guests from the campus were Dr. William C. Hill '04, principal of Classical High School, Springfield, and A. H. Gurney '07, Alumni Secretary. Boys from several high and preparatory schools in and near Springfield were specially invited, and a fine group of them came to hear the talks, see the pictures and meet Dr. Bigelow afterward.

Judge F. W. Burke '01, president of the Club, did the introducing and also led the

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#### The Far West

▶ ▶ SOMEWHERE on the Pacific Coast as this appears in print is Dr. Charles A. Kraus of the Brown Department of Chemistry and president of the American Chemical Society. Before he left College Hill on April 16 he said that he would be happy to meet with the Brown Clubs of Denver (Rocky Mountain), Alta California (San Francisco), and the Northwest (Seattle). Letters and telegrams from the Alumni Office preceded him, and a meeting in San Francisco was assured by President Nathaniel Blaisdell '83 before Dr. Kraus reached St. Louis, his first official stop.

President Wriston was unable to visit Seattle last November because of other schedule commitments, and Dr. David C. Hall '01 and S. H. Shefelman '20 were asked to get the Brown men in the community together to meet and hear Dr. Kraus talk in his delightful way about Brown. From Seattle Dr. Kraus will turn eastward again and will visit numerous local sections of the American Chemical Society in Idaho, Montana, Minnesota, Wisconsin before he returns to the campus at the end of this month.

#### Northern New Jersey

▶ ▶ ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIVE Brown alumni and undergraduates, the largest number of Brown men ever to sit down together in New Jersey, met at the Downtown Club, Newark, Wednesday evening, April 5, to hear Dean Arnold and the Alumni Secretary, and to see the moving pictures of Brown football games last fall run off and vividly described by Denny Myers, line coach.

Two undergraduates, one from Amherst and one from Williams, were also present, and the crowd and the enthusiasm were a tribute to the organization and energy of the officers and committee of the Brown Club of Northern New Jersey—President George W. Grimm '20, Joseph H. Farnham '14, Wallace R. Chandler, Jr., '16, Harold W. Lord '20, Roland D. Beck '20, George R. Decker '23, Walter F. Waldau '23, Russell B. Mallett '25.

"We also had the aid of several others who worked hard in telephoning alumni," wrote Harold Lord, who lined up with Walter Waldau and George Decker in carrying out all details. "We should like to give them credit, too."



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**BOB O'BRIEN:** Leading spirit in Brown-brokers, who hopes to take "Savoir Fair," the 1939 production to New York this month. This annual musical show will play Faunce House for five nights during Junior Week.

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singing of "Brown Men All," the words and music of which were written by Judge Burke's classmate, the late Thacher Howland Guild. The song is a tuneful one, the words are spirited, and your correspondent believes that other Brown Clubs might well add it to their repertory. Professor W. T. Hastings '03 has included it in the "Brown Song Book."

Dr. Bigelow's talk, interspersed with stories and incidents of his visits to schools throughout the East and Middle West, had vigor, lucidity and humor to commend it. Alumni and guests alike followed him with interest and appreciation. His announcement of the election of Dr. Hill as the next president of the Headmasters' Association, a national society, brought applause, and Dr. Hill spoke his thanks in his quiet, thoughtful way. He spoke, too, of the school boys present, and introduced them to the alumni.

Wilbur J. Snyder '16 was elected president of the Club for 1939-40 to succeed Judge Burke, and Stuart G. Waite '32, the efficient secretary, was re-elected.

Next day Dr. Bigelow spoke at Palmer High School as guest of Superintendent Clifton H. Hobson '04 and before a luncheon club in the town, while Messrs. McLaughry and Gurney visited Amherst to call on friends and inspect the new gymnasium.

### Woonsocket

▶ THE best contribution that this country could make toward settlement of the world's disorders would be to "clean up our own economic problems," Professor Hugh B. Killough of the Department of Economics told the Brown Club of Woonsocket at its 43rd annual meeting at the Hotel Blackstone, March 29.

"Each country must balance its own internal economy, which will in turn supply markets for that country's own products and those of other nations," Professor Killough explained. "To this end I believe we should establish a stable economic system based on deflation and an armament program on a 'pay as you go' basis."

Morris E. Yarus '25 was re-elected president of the Club. His fellow officers for 1939-40 will be: Vice President Woodworth L. Carpenter '30, Secretary Harry L. Strickland '32, Treasurer R. Ralph Fitzpatrick '26, Executive Committee: Carroll H. Rickard '30, Dr. Frederic F. Whitaker '88, and Henry Dursin, Jr., '16.

### Rochester

▶ ARTHUR F. NEWELL '12, James Bryce Fellow in London, England, was guest of the Brown Club of Rochester at its monthly luncheon on April 5. "We had a most agreeable surprise," wrote E. W. Holmes '03, secretary, "when Larry Gardner '11 telephoned that Art Newell was at his office and would lunch with us. Newell gave an extremely interesting account of the way in which England has been preparing for trouble in the past few months, and said that the English were standing solidly behind Chamberlain, now that Chamberlain has called Hitler."

A news letter from the Alumni Secretary was also read. The Club heard with pleasure the announcement that the Alumni Secretary was planning to come to Rochester at the time of his visit to the Brown Club of Northeastern New York (Albany) later in April.

### Brunonia

▶ ▶ GEORGE E. (ECK) ALLEN, coach of the Brown basketball team and assistant coach of the Brown football team, was the speaker at the April luncheon of the Brown Club of Boston. William P. Burnham '07, newly-elected president of the Club, presided for the first time, and Coach Allen responded with a fine talk on basketball and on the outlook for the football season of 1939. . . . Dean Samuel T. Arnold was the guest of the Fall River Brown Club at the annual meeting and dinner at the Hotel Mellon, Fall River, May 2. Members of the Brown Club of New Bedford were also invited. . . . The Brown Clubs of Newport and Western Maine are arranging for May meetings with the Alumni Office, and the spring meeting of the Merrimack Valley Brown Club will take place the 13th of this month at the outing reservation of Phillips Academy, Andover.

### At the Theta Delta Banquet

▶ NEARLY a hundred members of Theta Delta Chi attended the 79th annual banquet of Zeta Charge, held on March 11 at the Wannamoisett Country Club. William P. Burnham '07 of Boston was toastmaster, and the speakers were: Stanley F. Mathes '39, John B. MacGregor '42, Judge Kenneth L. Nash '12 of South Weymouth, Mass.; Maxwell Krause '10 of Lebanon, Penn.; W. Stanley Barrett '21; John Montgomery '21 of Hartford; and Richmond Viall, Williams College '19. The banquet committee

### "Don't Swallow"

▶ No Brunonian swallowed a goldfish while that strange practice came into sudden vogue on other college campuses, but one parent was fearful just the same. Wrote Doc Rockwell, radio and stage comedian, in a telegram to his son, G. Lincoln Rockwell '42:

"Don't swallow goldfish or anything else until you hear from me. Am forming organized group of terrified parents to combat this great complex that is sweeping the colleges. Remember that you were sent to Brown to develop your spirit, mind and body—not your stomach. You are expected to return home in June bursting with knowledge not junk. If you must swallow something, shove down a few of those bills which we never seem to agree on."

had the following alumni members: H. Stanton Smith '21, Dwight T. Colley '18, Myron S. Curtis '07, J. Richmond Fales '10, William H. Hull '01, H. Stanford McLeod '16, James C. Scott '19, and Percy Shires '06.

Other Zeta graduates attending included: Dr. M. H. Merchant '97, Judge H. D. C. Dubois '98, Myron C. Fish '03, Philip C. Curtis '11, Arthur E. Staff '11, Walter H. Snell '13, George P. Bliven '15, H. C. Kinne '15, Edgar J. Staff '15, H. H. Burton '16, Stuart T. McNeil '16, B. H. Slade '18, B. A. Waterman '20, W. T. Brightman '21, R. H. Greene '21, Arthur C. Durfee '22, Clarence S. Gray '22, John B. Harvie '22, C. R. Johnson '23, Don C. Thorndike '23, Philip Saunders, Jr. '24, Dr. A. W. Eckstein '25, J. H. Hood '25, Albert L. Parks '25, Arthur Dixon '26, J. G. Merchant '28, David C. Anthony '30, Waldo H. Fish '31, W. O. J. Roberts '32, A. L. Halberstadt '34, Winslow A. Robbins '34, Robert S. Ford '35, Joseph Olney, Jr. '36, C. D. Pease '36, Adolph Sharkey '38, W. K. White, Jr. '38, John Montgomery '38.

## In the Mail

▶ ▶ DEAR SIR:

Reading that the athletic trophies have left the Brown Union for the attic of the new gymnasium, I am moved to ponder the fate of those other relics that used to add color to the central room in what was then Rockefeller Hall. I refer to the class mascots, those strange yet fascinating artistic trinkets which used to serve as a text for our Spring Day orators. I can remember one with Hughes taking the helm of the Ship of State, one with September Morn in a barrel, and others.

I suppose they mean nothing to the present college generation and probably would be regarded as too old-fashioned to have around. I can't really expect that these mascots (how did they ever come to get that name anyway?) would be left on view if the athletic trophies have been hidden away. I hope they'll be where some of us nostalgic old grads can find them when we return to the campus, though.

NINETEEN SIXTEEN.

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▶ DEAR SIR:

Don't misunderstand me when I say that it was with mixed emotions that I read that Coach Barry's swimming team had run true to form again this year. The old master certainly has a knack of turning out good teams, and I hope Brown men appreciate the fine job he is doing in the "pentagonal tank" known as the Colgate Hoyt pool. I congratulate him and his men for winning the New England Intercollegiate championship once more.

And yet I wonder if it isn't getting to be too much of a good thing that Brown should continue, year after year, to win that championship meet. I forget how many years in a row Brown has won now, but I should think it would discourage the competition and cause us to be looked on with resentment by the other New England colleges. Here's why I've troubled to write this to you: I'd like to recommend that Brown withdraw its swimming team from the New England championships hereafter. I think it only the sporting thing to do.

BOSTONIAN.

*Elms vs. Oaks*

▶ DEAR SIR:

Our fellow alumnus, Mr. Cox, admitted he was inviting a cry of "sacrilege" when he wrote you last month urging the University to give up thoughts of replanting the hurricane-scarred spots on the campus with American elms of the sort that had previously been there.

He makes a good case out for the white oak, but I cannot go along with him. The replanting would be for the future, to be sure, but there is also the past to be considered. Brown's has always been an "elm campus"—our songs hail the fact, exercises like Class Day's "Under the Elms" take it into account. And the alumnus has a right to come back and find elms still there, where he grew fond of them in his student days. I'd look on an oak as an intruder and resent it. Too many concerns these days are decided on a basis of mere reason. I'd like to see sentiment decide a matter like this.

NINETY-NINE

▶ DEAR SIR:

I am moved to take issue with Mr. Cox, who wants to have Brunonians henceforth sing "The braided branches of the oaks." (Do they braid as well as elms?)

I rather think Mr. Cox writes with a misunderstanding in the back of his head. Perhaps he has gained the impression from reports spread that the Brown campus lost all of its elms. There was great loss, of course, but a considerable number of the trees still stand, not all of them mutilated by the September hurricane. We in Providence are not so conscious of the losses any more, for the University cleaned up in swift fashion. And, while there was no thick arcade left, there were enough trees left to be noticeable. The point is that there are enough left so that it would seem incongruous and patchy to spot oaks among them.

J. O.

▶ DEAR SIR:

I'm no botanist or forester, and so I cannot dispute the logic of Mr. Cox's claims with regards to white oaks. But I am a sentimentalist, and American elms are my tree. I hope they continue to be the tree for the Brown campus.

ONE OF THE FACULTY.

(Mr. Cox asked us to pass his suggestion along and consult with the local authorities on the subject of white oaks for the campus. One of them replied: "There is everything, so far as I know, in favor of his argument botanically, but I should hate to have the responsibility for all the arguments that following his advice would start!")

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▶ DEAR SIR:

I'm a classmate of Phil Cox, and I'd like to wish him well with his suggestion to replace our Brown elms with oak trees. But he hasn't a chance. The trees have always been elms; therefore they always will be elms.

If you have to have a signature, just call me:

PRO BONO PUBLICO.

▶ EXCERPTS from other letters on the subject:

"Oak trees instead of elms, eh? They're more hygienic and rugged, eh? Okay, and let's tear down University Hall and put up something that is better functionally."

"Has Mr. Cox ever heard of sentiment and tradition?"

"I'm inclined to agree with Phil Cox, although I know there would be a howl if

the white oaks replaced the Brown elms. But the oaks are really a handsome tree for all that and would get to look as hoary as the 'hoary walls'."

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(The Alumni Fund Trustees are accepting checks to assist in the replanting of elms on the campus. They would be delighted to have tangible evidence of the elm's popularity from more of its champions.)

*Bouquets*

▶ "GREATLY enjoyed Bruce Bigelow's article and am getting a real kick out of the BROWN ALUMNI MONTHLY."

Sherman M. Strong '15

## ▶ ▶ Brunonians Far and Near

BY A. H. GURNEY

## 1868

▶ ▶ "KINDLY remember me to the Trustees and Class Agents of the Brown Alumni Fund at the dinner on April 10," William E. Lincoln wrote from Sarasota, Fla. "I am living among roses, oleanders, hibiscus, snapdragons and other flowers blooming out of doors. Also papayas, if you know what I mean."

## 1880

A tablet to the late Dean Gardner C. Anthony was unveiled late in March at the Tufts College of Engineering, of which Dean Anthony was the guiding genius for 30 years. The tablet was accepted on behalf of the Tufts Trustees by President Leonard Carmichael, former Professor of Psychology at Brown.

## 1881

Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes said on his 77th birthday, April 11, that he would continue his work as presiding officer of the Supreme Court. His philosophy on the subject of age was best expressed several years ago when he told interviewers: "I'm going along without reference to the calendar."

## 1886

Stephen Waterman, who lives during the fall, winter and spring at 3726 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C., is preparing to spend the summer at his farm in Vermont, where his latest visitor was Professor George Grafton Wilson. In Washington, Waterman attended all the Brown dinners and wishes he was nearer Providence for the Commencement gatherings and other Brown affairs.

## 1889

Augustus T. Swift, first president of Alpha Chapter of Phi Delta Theta, was the

"The MONTHLY is a publication of which every alumnus must feel well pleased and like Chesterfields—it satisfies. Incidentally, it also excites pride."

—Dr. H. C. Bumpus '84

"I wish to report the change of my address to which the BROWN ALUMNI MONTHLY should be sent . . . I hope that this change of address has not made me lose an issue of the ALUMNI MONTHLY."

—Karl H. Koopman '13

"I certainly enjoy the MONTHLY and have done so ever since I used to read it as a child when it came to my father, Leo W. Dow, M.D. '77."

H. Edward Dow '14

guest of honor when the chapter observed the 50th anniversary of its founding this spring. He and William A. Traver '39, present head of the chapter, had their pictures together in the artgraveure section of the Providence Sunday Journal. Swift retired from teaching ten years ago, but books and study continue to be his chief hobbies.

Dr. Frank Austin Smith modestly acknowledged that he was the oldest graduate present at the meeting of the Brown Club of Northern New Jersey in Newark last month. He came from Elizabeth to hear Dean Arnold, see the pictures of the Brown football team in action and to talk about Brown of yesterday and today with his younger acquaintances.

Edward H. Rathbun has returned to his home at 37 Cushing Street, Providence, after spending the winter in Florida.

## 1890

Dr. John L. Alger, president of Rhode Island College of Education, said last month that he had "no intention of resigning immediately." He told interviewers that "the bill now on the calendar of the House providing a pension of \$2500 for the president of the Rhode Island College of Education retiring after 30 years was intended as a friendly measure to allow me to retire when I wanted to. . . . I am past the retirement age of 70, but there are several things I want to see done before I resign."

## 1893

Dr. Winthrop J. V. Osterhout, physiologist on the staff of Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, will retire this year under the age limit of 65 years being applied for the first time among the Institute's staff members. Dr. Osterhout's research work "has dealt principally with the fundamental life process and the origins and nature of life. He discovered a substance in cells called 'R,' which he believed was the basis of the 'chemical psyche'—the physical basis for sensation and consciousness."

Jane S. Matteson, daughter of your Secretary, A. C. Matteson, and Mrs. Matteson, has been named an associate member of the Smith College Chapter, Society of the Sigma Xi, in recognition of her work in Geology. A graduate of Bryn Mawr, she is doing graduate work at Smith.

Edward F. Cunningham, former room clerk at the Hotel Biltmore, died in Providence, February 24, 1939. He was with us for four years at Brown, but did not take his degree. He afterward studied law at Boston University Law School.

*Pleaded Against a Crime*

▶ CHARLES E. HUGHES, JR., '09, made an eloquent appeal before the New York City Planning Commission late in March in favor of a zoning change to protect the Riverdale section, where he lives, from apartment houses. "Riverdale is one of the few remaining unusual residential areas in the city," Mr. Hughes said. "It is a community of homes and home lovers. Some are stately, some modest. An intensive property development would injure the neighborhood, destroy stately trees, and that would be a crime."



**The 54th Was First**

► PERCY SHIRES '06 was awarded a first place in the 1938 contest conducted annually since 1922 by the Martin Cantine Company, Saugerties, N. Y., for outstanding skill in the production of printing and lithography. Creative ability, skill in production, and craftsmanship were rated by the nationally known judges who considered the "54th Annual Report of the Providence Lying In Hospital" the best entry of any report submitted. Announcement of the award appeared in the leading printing and advertising magazines, and a handsomely engrossed certificate was given each of the 22 concerns entered in the contest. ◀

**1894**

Col. H. Anthony Dyer, Mrs. Dyer and Miss Nancy Dyer sailed from Boston last month for their annual tour of Italy and France. As is their custom, the Dyers will spend most of their time sketching and painting.

Dr. Frank E. Lakey's new mail address is R. F. D. 1, Canton, Mass.

Associate Justice W. W. Moss of the Rhode Island Supreme Court wrote the dissenting opinion when the Court decided last month that parking meters had illegally been installed in the streets of Providence.

**1895**

Edward P. Jastram, Jr., son of Edward P. Jastram and Mrs. Jastram of Providence, and Miss Lydia Van Wyck Hoke of Beaufort, N. C., were married in Beaufort, April 1, 1939. They will live in St. Louis, Mo.

The Alumni Office received a report late last month that Fred W. Mears, lawyer, died in Los Angeles, Calif., in August, 1938. Can anyone in the Class give any further information about Mears?

**1897**

Dr. H. W. N. Bennett's new office is at 1448 Elm Street, Manchester, N. H. His son, Dr. Lewis T. Bennett '28, is now associated with him.

William A. Harris, on hand as always for the annual dinner and meeting of the Connecticut Valley Brown Club, reported a change of house address to 25 Green Lane, Springfield, Mass.

The Montana Power Company has published with appropriate sketches the series of 28 radio broadcasts given by Charles Wayland Towne on the high lights "in the history of a State fifty years old in 1939." The title of the booklet is "Her Majesty, Montana," and the period of the broadcasts is the pioneer one from 1743 to 1877.

Representative Wilbur A. Scott of Providence is vice chairman of the joint committee of the Rhode Island General Assembly named to investigate frauds alleged to have taken place during the general election last November.

**1898**

Dr. Thomas J. Burrage has been reappointed Colonel in the Medical Reserve Corps, U. S. A., and continued on the active list. For several years he has had the distinction of being the ranking medical reserve officer in the State of Maine.

Dennis F. O'Brien's youngest son, Bob, will give the address to the undergraduates at the Class Day exercises on the Hill next month. Bob is president of the Brown-

brokers, active in Sock and Buskin, and a member of Cammarian Club. He is also such a good student that he is on the Dean's List.

Borden D. Whiting presided at the meeting of the Brown Club of Northern New Jersey in Newark, Wednesday evening, April 5, and showed his younger fellow members how concise, gracious, and deft a presiding officer can be.

George F. Troy, Assistant U. S. District Attorney for Rhode Island, is on the commission that Governor Vanderbilt has chosen to study legislation, present and pending, that deals with juvenile and district courts of Rhode Island and to make recommendations by Jan. 15, 1940.

**1899**

Charles I. Gates is a member of the auditing committee of the Massachusetts Schoolmasters' Club. Gates is master of the Edmund P. Tileston School, Mattapan, Mass.

Howard C. Barber's new mail address is 44 Morningside Drive, New York City.

Caleb A. Fuller has sold his house at 77 Charles Field Street, Providence, and is living right around the corner at 277 Brook Street.

**Polygon's 25 Years**

► THE POLYGON, newspaper of Brooklyn Polytechnic Preparatory Country Day School, celebrated its 25th anniversary on March 31, and Charles Stuart Mitchell '05, English teacher at the school, took a modest bow as the paper's founder. "Twenty-five years after its first issue finds Mr. Mitchell still the Faculty adviser and the paper no longer a classroom activity, but a Poly institution," said a writer in the *Brooklyn Eagle*. Charlie, as well as the school, takes pride in the fact that the *Polygon* has always paid its way. ◀

George B. Utley will shortly be observing his 20th anniversary as librarian of the Newberry Library in Chicago.

**1900**

Leonard M. Patton, principal of the William Barton Rogers School, Hyde Park, Mass., presided at the annual meeting of the Massachusetts Schoolmasters' Club held at Northeastern University, Boston, April 15. During 1938-39, while Patton has been president, the Club has elected 25 new members, giving it a present membership of 311.

Harris H. Bucklin, vice president of the Rhode Island Hospital Corporation, made

the response on behalf of the hospital at the exercises on April 19 at which a tablet commemorating contributions to dentistry by the late Col. Joseph Samuels was unveiled at the Children's Dental Clinic. Col. Samuels gave the clinic to the hospital in the interests of child health, and later endowed it.

Clinton C. White, Trustee of the University, was the climax speaker at the spring dinner of the Class Agents of the Brown Alumni Fund at the University Club, Providence, April 10.

**1901**

Engagement of Miss Charlotte Tillinghast Dane to E. Tudor Gross, Jr., son of E. Tudor Gross and Mrs. Gross, has been announced. Miss Dane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Gerard Dane of Larchmont, N. Y., and Narragansett, is a granddaughter of the late William R. Tillinghast '70.

Henry C. Hart is back at his law office in Providence after a trip to New Orleans, Memphis, and other cities of interest in the South.

Carlton J. Patton, member of the Faculty of Erasmus Hall High School, Brooklyn, N. Y., has returned from St. Petersburg, Fla., where he spent the winter.

The Alumni Office has confirmed report of the death of Lewis C. Parsons in Norwich, N. Y., March 27, 1937. Parsons, a special student with the Class, had been ill for about seven years. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mildred S. Parsons, and a son, Curtis S. Parsons. His fraternity was Delta Upsilon.

**1902**

Philip C. Horton, son of Everett J. Horton and Mrs. Horton, and Mrs. Isolde Gilbert MacKay were married in March in Appleton Chapel at Harvard University. The younger Horton, author of "Hart Crane," the life of the American poet of that name, is an instructor in English at Harvard.

Senator Alfred G. Chaffee of Scituate is chairman of the joint committee of the Rhode Island General Assembly making a statewide investigation of election frauds.

Alderman Charles B. Corpen, chairman of the Providence City Council finance committee, has been carrying on a lively fight to have the General Assembly pass legislation to restore parking meters to Providence streets. Putting the meters back in use means annual revenue of about \$130,000. The Rhode Island Supreme Court ruled their installation illegal in an opinion handed down early in April.

Joseph W. Ince is completing his 20th year as Professor of Chemistry at Rhode Island State College. His hobby is stamp

**The Dean Couldn't Help**

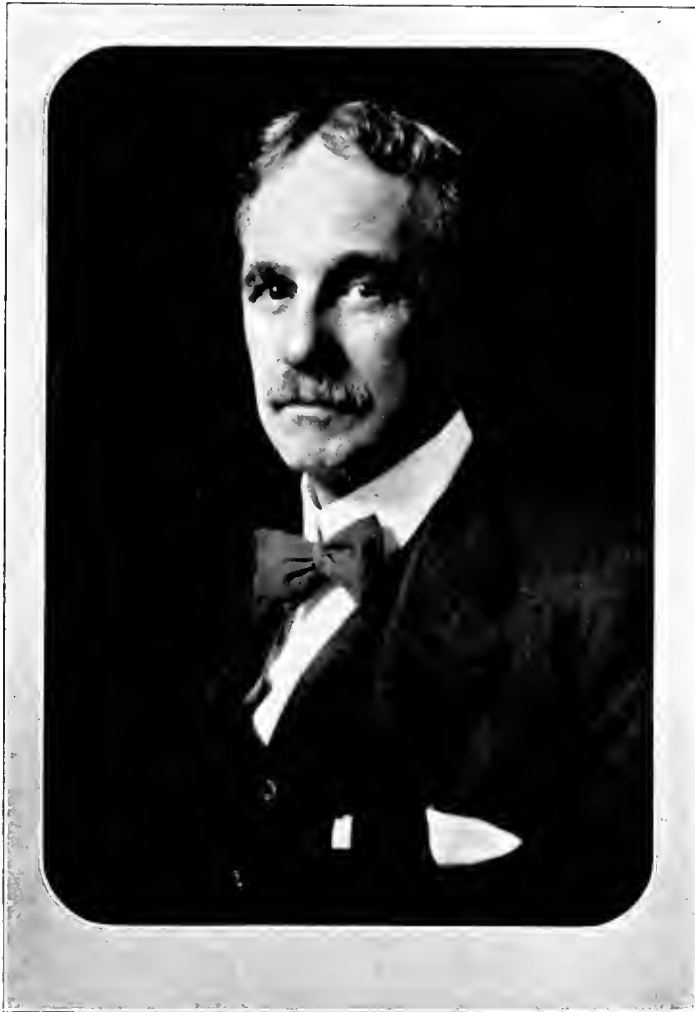
►► "Four Pennsylvanians declare that a certain student of Brown University knows more than the dean and his staff." Thus commences a news story in the *Daily Local News* of West Chester for April 14, which goes on to tell of four travellers touring the New England colleges during the Easter recess.

"While exploring the classic haunts on the East Side hill in Providence," says the account, "they called at the executive offices of Brown to ask for directions. To the dean, a genial gentleman, and two pretty stenographers, the question was put as to whether they knew a private house where pilgrims from Pennsylvania might stop over night."

"We are sorry," responded the dean, "but it is now after 5 o'clock, and our personnel department is closed for the day. Personally I do not know of any such house, and my best suggestion would be to drive around the streets and look for signs of rooms or vacancies."

A "tall, fair-haired" student was asked the same question on the sidewalk outside. After falling into a brown study, "as becomes those at Brown University," the youth was able to direct the wanderers. ◀◀





**PROFESSOR HENRY B. GARDNER**, who retired in 1928 after long and distinguished service as head of the *Brown Economics Department*, died as this issue was going to press. His passing will be mourned by a large company of Brown men who respected him and were fond of him.

collecting, and he has been active in organizing and encouraging South County collectors.

George Burdick, Col. G. Edward Buxton and Henry Salomon were among those present at the 50th anniversary celebration of Alpha Chapter of Phi Delta Theta late in March. Burdick is now thoroughly acclimated to Newport, where he keeps busy and outwardly cheerful as editor and general manager of the *Newport Daily News*.

#### 1903

Elmer E. Butler, on sick leave for a long period, is back on duty at the *Boston Traveler*, coming and going on his own time while recuperating. He was recovering from a thyroid ailment when water on his left elbow set him back again.

S. L. Wade is teaching Freshman English and supervising practice teaching at State Teachers' College, Bluefields, W. Va. He has 16 teachers under his direction this semester. "Thanks to the good old days when we were not narrow specialists," he

wrote in a recent letter, "I can meet State requirements in four fields of high school work. Our young teachers generally qualify in not more than two."

#### 1904

▶ WITH the Rhode Island Country Club at Nayatt the place and with an active committee at work, the 35th Reunion gives every promise of being a memorable one in Class history. Rooms at the Country Club will be available from Friday noon, June 16, to Monday morning (Commencement) June 19, at a special rate. Meals will be a la carte. Under this scheme everyone will pay his own expenses and there will be no reunion tax. Your Reunion Committee is Dr. B. H. Buxton, chairman, Everard Appleton, Foster B. Davis, Howard F. Esten, Frederick C. Jones, John F. Heckman and Dr. James A. McCann. Entertainment is in the making, and there is always golf. Now is the time to write "Buck" at 131 Irving Avenue, Providence, that you are coming back.

Eugene L. McIntyre's older son, John K.

McIntyre, will be a Commencement speaker. John has been managing editor of the *Brown Daily Herald*, and is a James Manning Scholar and undergraduate secretary of Rhode Island Alpha, Phi Beta Kappa.

Howard F. Hart is head of the Department of Mathematics in the East Orange, N. J., High School. His present mail address is 71 Montclair Avenue, Montclair, N. J.

#### 1905

Michael F. Costello, Rhode Island State Liquor Administrator since repeal and leader in the National Conference of State Liquor Administrators, stepped out of office one day last month with the statement that he had been asked to resign. "Upon departing from this office," he continued, "I would like my last act to be a request to all licensees not to serve intoxicating liquor between noon and 3 o'clock on Good Friday, a day held sacred in the religious belief of so many of our citizens."

William Arnold Spicer, 3rd, is a Freshman on the Hill. Young Bill prepared at Moses Brown and Hope High School, with French and biology as his favorite subjects.

George A. Gessner has removed his law offices from Milwaukee to Baraboo, Wis., where he is now established in the Baraboo National Bank Building as a member of the firm of Langer, Gessner & Dana.

T. W. (Bill) Gordon has been at Bonneville Dam in Oregon in recent weeks making tests for General Electric generators being installed out there.

#### 1906

"They say that when you get to be Mayor of your home town you are really a success," said the Spencer, Mass., *Leader* in its March 24 issue. "When Arthur F. Driscoll, prominent New York City attorney, became Mayor of Scarsdale, N. Y., this week, his rise to political prominence in the community of 9,000 fell far short of making him a success, for he has been just that for many years now. It is not his home town either, for he is a North Brookfield boy, who first saw the light of day at the family home on Nursery Avenue. . . . In 1929 he was here in North Brookfield, and served as toastmaster at the high school alumni reunion. He is married and there are four daughters in the family." The *Leader* also noted the fact that Driscoll was the first Democrat to be elected Mayor of Scarsdale.

Lt. Col. L. O. Tarleton, Medical Corps, U. S. A., is now stationed at Fitzsimons General Hospital, Denver, Colo., after having finished a tour of duty at the Station Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Tex.

Alfred W. Fletcher is a salesman for the Monroe Calculating Machine Company, with his office at 80 Federal Street, Boston, and his home at 22 Pilgrim Road, Arlington, Mass.

Aylsworth Brown's son, Arthur L. Brown, Senior on the Hill, won the Gaston Prize Speaking Contest held at college in March and so will be one of the speakers at Commencement. Young Brown is a candidate for the Sc.B. in engineering and is a member of the Society of the Sigma Xi.

#### 1907

Col. Dana T. Gallup and his son, Dana H. Gallup, were recent campus visitors to take up admission questions with Dr. Bruce M. Bigelow '24, Director of Admissions.

**Manicures vs. Hooks**

► SAMUEL C. LAMPORT '06, chairman of the Cotton Tolerance Committee of the Textile Export Association of the United States, gave hearty indorsement to President Roosevelt's plan for subsidizing cotton exports in order to stimulate greater consumption of American cotton by foreign countries when the plan was made public early in the spring.

"We cannot save our cotton market by handling the problem with manicured fingernails," Lamport said. "Our competitors are using subsidy hooks and grim grappling irons that go so far as 'force majeure' on some of our customers. . . . We need an organized, co-ordinated program in which our Government will co-operate in a practical way to help the cotton textile sector of American economy to stay alive."

Young Gallup is a student at Suffolk School and hopes to enter Brown in September, 1940.

W. W. Reynolds' second son, Charles A. Reynolds, won his basketball letter at Nichols Junior College, Dudley, Mass., at the end of the past season.

Gardner C. Easton is resident engineer for the Jamestown Bridge Commission, which is building a bridge from Saunders-town to the Island of Conanicut in lower Narragansett Bay.

Major Franklin E. Edgcomb, U.S.A., is on duty with the Coast Artillery Board at Fort Monroe, Va.

**1908**

Former Representative John J. O'Connor, now practising law in Washington, has recently written a letter to Democratic friends who have made it public, urging "sensible Democrats" to begin now to obtain delegates to the 1940 party convention who will save the party from the "radicals." O'Connor insists that immediate action is necessary, saying that "some people, high in the party, suggest that we wait until this session of Congress adjourns—and until we see what further damage has been done to the party. That may be all right, but we should wait no longer. Enough damage has been done already. The elections of last November were a protest against further guinea pig experimentation with our economic, social and judicial structure of government. The S. P. C. A. has stepped in—the Society for the Prevention of Communism in America."

Federal Communications Commissioner Norman S. Case is chairman of the executive committee that was named at the annual meeting of the Rhode Island State Society of Washington last month. The society's membership is restricted to Rhode Islanders living and working in Washington.

**1909**

George Sykes, Professor of Anatomy at Tufts Medical School, read a paper at the April session of the American Association of Anatomists on "Anomalous Epithelial Structures in the Myocardium of Pig Embryos." George will repeat this paper on request at our 30th Reunion.

Harper Goodspeed has cabled from Peru, where he is on a botanical expedition, that he hopes to attend the reunion.

**1910**

Former Assistant Attorney General Joseph B. Keenan has opened an office for the practice of law in the Woodward Building, Washington. "In his new Washington office, Mr. Keenan will have no partners," the *Providence Journal* reported. With him, however, will be Robert T. Murphy of Providence, a Senior in the Georgetown University Law School.

Edward S. Spicer will run a wilderness camp in Maine next August for the Appalachian Mountain Club of Boston. "Just to keep me out of mischief," he says. His older boy, Sheldon, is now at Deerfield Academy.

A recent note from Howard A. Taber reported receipt of a letter from Steve Pyle in Peiping. Taber continues to keep young teaching the boys at The Hotchkiss School, Lakeville, Conn., where he is master in physics and mathematics.

**1911**

John V. Kerly, former chief of the Rhode Island State Division of Roads and Bridges, has joined the Mack Construction Company of Pawtucket as engineering consultant.

Hubert D. Tanner, special student with the Class and engineer with the Pratt & Whitney Division of the Niles-Bement-Pond Company, Hartford, Conn., since 1920, was named vice president of the company at the meeting of the board of directors in March. While at Brown he took courses in mechanical engineering and also attended the Rhode Island School of Design.

Seward T. Jarvis, head of his own public accounting firm of Seward T. Jarvis & Company, 40 Broad Street, Boston, reports his correct mail address to be 96 Broadway, Arlington, Mass.

Arthur Sundlun, president of A. Kahn, Inc., retail jewelers, is the new president of the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association of Washington, D. C., one of the leading business groups of the city in which Arthur has been active since 1916.

Your Secretary, Charles P. Sisson, was the keynote speaker at the opening dinner of the 86th annual Providence Y. M. C. A. Current Expense Campaign at the Narragansett Hotel late in March. The goal was \$30,000, and the workers reached it within the time limit set.

**1912**

Eleanor Blake Mumford, daughter of Nicholas V. S. Mumford and Mrs. Mumford, has been elected to the Zeta Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at Smith College, where she is a Junior.

George W. Brewster is the new chief of the Rhode Island State Alcoholic Beverage Commission, having been appointed last month to succeed Michael F. Costello '05.

Major Ernest S. Barker, U.S.A., is now on duty at the Infantry Signal School, Fort Monmouth, N. J.

Arthur F. Newell, lecturer and fellow on the James Bryce Fellowship of London, is now in this country giving American audiences intimate account of how the English

people have acted and reacted during the international crises of the past seven months. Art arrived late in March, headed straight for the Brown campus, visited his son and friends there, and then started on a tour that has taken him through the East and into the Middle West and Canada.

**1913**

Russell W. Field is chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Barrington Public Library and chairman of the building committee for an addition to the Barrington Town Hall to provide new and enlarged quarters for the library.

President John K. Starkweather of the Bond Club of New York has announced that the 19th annual field day of the Club will take place at the Sleepy Hollow Country Club, Tarrytown, on June 2. The *Bawl Street Journal*, the publication of the Club, will make its appearance at this time. Copies of it are always at a premium.

Preston F. Arnold is chairman of the Barrington School Committee, and is also heading a committee now engaged in building an elementary school in the town.

Professor Walter H. Snell, Freshman baseball coach on the Hill, talked about special plays in baseball at the Spring Coaching Clinic for Rhode Island's school-boy coaches at Brown on April 15.

**1914**

► THE "Hurricane Reunion" of the class, on the 25th anniversary of its graduation, will be held at the Breakers Hotel in Narragansett. The reunion committee, through Secretary C. L. Woolley, communicated this information just as this issue was going to press, having made an elaborate canvass of available facilities. The class is assured a gala weekend, starting on Friday evening, June 16th, with the class dinner. A Rhode Island clambake at Fritz Hazard's on Saturday is another feature in prospect.

► SPEAKING of our 25th Reunion next month, do you recall what the Class Mascot was back in 1914? Well, the *Providence Sunday Journal* in a recent "25 Years Ago in Rhode Island" said that the Class, calling itself "the culmination of 150 years of development," unveiled a "Barreled September Morn" as its mascot at the Spring Day exercises. The barrel was designated as a "warm barrel." Further, Ira Shepard, who spoke for the Class, did not explain. "Remember the day? And 'September Morn'?"

Joseph H. Farnham, treasurer of The Conditioning Company, Newark, was a member of the committee that put on the spring smoker of the Brown Club of Northern New Jersey in Newark last month. Joe was, indeed, the only '14 man present in the big crowd.

Dr. Edward A. McLaughlin, a member of the medical staff of the Providence Floating Hospital for 20 years, has heartily endorsed the campaign for funds being carried on to finance a new hospital. The old one, situated on Sunshine Island in Providence harbor, was swept away during the September hurricane. The new one, for which \$25,000 is being asked, will be inland.

Has anyone in the Class heard lately from Ralph B. Low? The Alumni Office has had mail returned from Essex, Mass., and would like to get Low's present address, if possible.

**1915**

Cecil M. P. Cross, chief disbursing officer at the American Embassy in Paris, had his picture in *Life* magazine, March 27, illustrating in part the article on the work of

**The First Editor**

► LOUIS F. ROBBINS '12 was the author of "An Early Publications Worker Looks Back," published in the last number of *The Cross and Crescent of Lambda Chi Alpha*. Robbins' name appeared at the masthead of Volume 1, Number 1, as editor. ◀

the Embassy and of Ambassador Bullitt Cross looked pretty serious signing pay checks five at a time for members of the U. S. Foreign Service in Europe.

Harold E. Watson is the new superintendent of the Newport Water Works.

Edward W. Hincks is completing his tenth year as headmaster of Kents Hill School, Kents Hill, Me. It has been a severe ten years, as all of us know, but in spite of the fact, Ed has done a great deal to improve the physical plant as well as to raise the scholastic standards.

Lawrence L. Hall of Flothan Park and W. T. Breckenridge of Maplewood were two of the 15 men we saw at the meeting of the Brown Club of Northern New Jersey in Newark, April 5. Larry looked as slim as ever, ready to run any distance under two miles.

Bill Crohus, son of William C. Crohus, Jr., and a Sophomore on the Hill, worked out with the football line squad at Brown during the recent spring practice.

#### 1916

George R. Arnold is with The Parker Corporation, investments, at One Court Street, Boston. His new mail address is 82 Harvard Street, Newtonville, Mass.

Wilbur J. Snyder is the new president of the Connecticut Valley Brown Club. Bill's regular occupation is secretary of the Springfield, Mass., Y. M. C. A., where he is one of the popular members of the administrative staff. He has just begun his tenth successive year as secretary-treasurer of the Springfield Amateur Athletic Association, known locally as the Triple-A League.

John J. Cashman, chief bank examiner for the State of Rhode Island since 1935, was discharged last month as a result of the change in political administration at the State House.

#### 1918

Emery M. Foster, chief of the Division of Statistics in the United States Office of Education at Washington, is secretary of the Class of 1914 which will hold its 25th Reunion at Mount Hermon School, Mount Hermon, Mass., May 27 and 28.

Wardwell C. Leonard, principal of the Tiverton public schools, will be assistant director in charge of cub work at Camp Winona, Denmark, Me., this summer.

Edward J. Dilts is with the New York

#### They Produced "Heart Flutter"

▶▶ "Heart flutter," the distressing condition that arises when the various sections of the body's vital body-pump work at cross-purposes instead of in rhythmic harmony, has been reproduced in its essential electrical mechanics in the large cell of the water plant known as Nitella. Dr. W. J. V. Osterhout '93 and Dr. S. E. Hill of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research conducted the experiments and reported on them at the April meetings of the National Academy of Sciences held in Washington.

The cells of the Nitella do not pulsate like hearts, but they do have rhythmic electric currents, known as action currents, that sweep through their protoplasm at regular intervals—15 to 30 seconds under normal conditions. The same kind of rhythmic currents, occurring more frequently, are responsible for the regular beating of the heart.

In the heart, the action currents originate in a physiological centre known as a "pacemaker." So long as it keeps sending out its signals at the normal rate, all is well. If anything causes it to increase the rate abnormally, the rhythm of the parts is broken, and "flutter" or "block" results, according to Science Service.

By appropriate chemical treatment, continued for several weeks, isolated cells of Nitella were given artificial pacemakers that speeded up the rate of the action-currents to once a second. The physiology of the cells proved unable to stand the pace; conditions arose closely resembling the electrical states of "fluttery" and "blocked" hearts.

State Department of Labor in the Department of Placement and Unemployment Insurance, with his office at 400 East Fordham Road, The Bronx, and his home at 45 East 55th Street, New York City.

#### 1919

▶ THE 20th Reunion is shaping up in style. Have you said that you are coming? Have you returned your information blank, properly filled out, to Tom Black? Now is the time to make up your mind to be on hand at the Cold Spring House, Wickford, June 16-18, and to march down the Hill with the Class on Commencement morning, June 19.

Donald G. Millar was one of four yachtsmen representing the American fleet of International one-design class boats in the annual Easter races off Hamilton, Bermuda, last month. Don's yacht, Brendy, won points in the series that the Bermuda skipper captured.

William H. Edwards is a member of the commission of five named by Governor William H. Vanderbilt to study legislation dealing with juvenile and district courts of Rhode Island and to report recommendations by next January.

Judge Kenneth D. Johnson was the noon-time speaker at the Men's Union of the First Baptist Church, Watertown, Mass., on Easter Sunday. His subject was "The Church and the Court." The meeting was the first of a series at which problems of the day are being discussed from the Christian point of view.

#### 1920

George W. Grimm, Harold W. Lord and Roland D. Beck were active members of the committee that arranged the spring meeting of the Brown Club of Northern New Jersey in Newark last month. George is president of the Club.

Gaston M. Welton, teaching at New Utrecht High School, is now living at 50 East 21st Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

#### 1921

Harold A. Dodge is Division Traffic Superintendent of the New York Telephone Company at 158 State Street, Albany, N. Y. He lives in the suburb of Loudonville.

Brayton Eddy has been appointed chief of the Rhode Island State Division of Entomology and Plant Industry. "Eddy's idea of real sport," the *Providence Journal* said, "is crawling around in caves or beating the bad lands of the West in search of rattlers or other reptilian specimens."

Thomas H. Gardiner, special student with the Class, has become clerk of the Washington County Superior Court, with his office in the courthouse at Kingston.

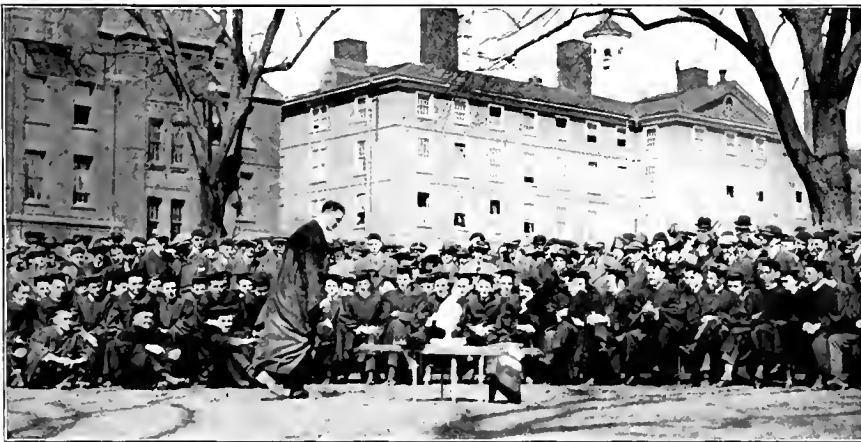
#### 1922

Edward W. Day, City Solicitor of Cranston and former Assistant State Attorney General, has been named to the new Rhode Island Civil Service Commission by Governor Vanderbilt. He will serve the long term, ending in 1945, and will also be chairman.

Blair Moody was one of a picked group of the leading Washington correspondents to whom *Life* magazine turned last month and asked to select the 10 ablest Senators and Representatives in Congress. Blair covers Washington for the *Detroit News*.

#### 1923

Herbert M. (Tony) Hofford, Professor of Journalism at Rhode Island State College, was chairman of the board of judges which awarded late in March the first annual Elizabeth Williams Prize, offered by the Women's Advertising Club of Providence in honor of the well known Providence news-



SEPTEMBER MORN had a barrel when she was 1914's Class Mascot at Spring Day 25 years ago.

paperwoman who died during the past year.

Lawrence Lanpher showed his versatility last month by promoting grand opera in Providence. Larry was chairman of a Town Crier's committee supporting a two-day engagement of the San Carlo Grand Opera Company.

Phil Cox has received favorable comment in response to his suggestion that the campus be replaced with white oak trees where the hurricane destroyed elms. Phil's suggestion, backed by reasonable arguments, was made in a letter that the MONTHLY printed last month.

Dr. Anthony J. Loiacano is a practicing physician with his office at 325 State Street and his home at 229 Broad Street, New London, Conn.

W. K. (Andy) Macfarlane, Jr., is vice president and trust officer of the First National Bank of Princeton, N. J., where he and his family live at 298 Nassau Street.

Chesley Worthington and his family have changed their house address to 28 George Street, Providence.

## 1924

Carlton H. Bliss is now Tax Assessor in North Attleboro, winning as a Republican by a margin of 304 votes in the election held in March. "Bliss, a Brown University graduate and well known business man, showed strength in his first victory at the polls," said the *North Attleboro Chronicle*.

Which reminds us that Carlton was asking not long ago about the 15th Reunion. It will take place at the Cold Spring House, Wickford, you know, and the dates are June 17 and 18. You can't afford to miss it, Bob Goff says.

Quentin (Red) Reynolds, associate editor of *Collier's*, was one of the judges who made this year's awards in the ninth exhibition of newspaper typography conducted by N. W. Ayer & Sons, Inc. His fellow judges were General Hugh S. Johnson, columnist, and Walter D. Teague, authority on typography, and their first award went to the *New York Herald-Tribune*.

B. A. Kulason is a mechanical engineer with The Texas Company at Beacon, N. Y.

Jack A. Lubrano was named a deacon for three years at the last annual meeting of the People's Baptist Church of Auburn.

William A. Dyer, Jr., Earle C. (Duck) Drake and Bruce M. Bigelow held reunion in Syracuse when Bruce was visiting the Brown Club in that city on his last trip to the Middle West. All three will be at the 15th Reunion, and Duck may bring the triplets along.

Wyndham Hayward, horticulturist, had an article in the April number of the *Florida Grower* on the difficulties of growing figs in his adopted State.

Arthur R. Storm is president and treasurer of Arthur R. Storm, Inc., real estate, at 1432 Queen Anne Road, Teaneck, N. J.

## 1925

William M. Browne, buyer for the J. L. Hudson Company department store, Detroit, is now settled at 821 Washington Road, Grosse Pointe, Mich., not far from the Jack Foleys.

W. S. Ballou is assistant secretary with the Bank of New York and Trust Company at 48 Wall Street, and is living at 425 East 85th Street, New York City.

Dr. Maurice B. Thompson is medical consultant for the Mutual Life Insurance Company at 34 Nassau Street, New York City, and is living at 37 West 12th Street.

Kingsley L. Bennett, former chief of the Rhode Island State Division of Jails and

## Gypsy Went to Court

▶ JACK DESPRES '36 and his faithful dog Gypsy made history last month when they attended a murder trial in Rhode Island Superior Court by permission of Judge G. Frederick Frost '96, presiding. Jack's mother was a member of the jury, and Judge Frost established a precedent by saying that Gypsy could come into the court room with Jack so that Mrs. Despres could see her son.



Despres and Gypsy

Reformatory, has resumed the practice of law at 1511 Turks Head Building, Providence. When his system of mail boxes at the State Prison for uncensored mail addressed directly to him was publicly criticised last month, Kingsley cited as authorities Sanford Bates and his brother, James V. Bennett '18, director of Federal Prisons, said he had adopted their suggestion, and went on with his law work.

Report is that Paul D. Higgins is umpiring this season in the Ohio State Baseball League, with Toledo as his headquarters. But Quincy, Mass., continues to be his home.

W. Russell Greenwood is now associated with Barlow & Barlow, patent attorneys, at 2005 Industrial Trust Building, Providence.

## 1926

Nat R. Underdown has returned to New Bedford as manager of the ready-to-wear sections in the store of the New Bedford Dry Goods Company, and is now settled at 68 Chestnut Street, South Dartmouth, Mass. Nat spent two years with Gladding's, Inc., in Providence before going back to the home city to a bigger and better job.

Frederick S. Cross, practicing law in the Union Trust Building, Cleveland, reports a change of house address to 2990 Manchester Road, Shaker Heights, O.

Edward Kip Chace is finishing the last course that stands between him and his Ph.D. in secondary school administration at New York University. Ed makes the trip every Saturday to New York from Princeton, N. J., where he heads the Department of English at Princeton High School, teaches journalism and sponsors the publications, "Our school paper, 'The Tower,' won all-American awards in the National Scholastic Press Competition last year," he wrote not long ago. "I have seen Joe Gulian and

Gene Murray several times. They have one of the finest rug businesses in East Orange that I have ever seen. They have a beautiful showroom on Central Avenue under the name of Gulian, Inc., and gorgeous rugs and carpets."

R. Franklin Weller, secretary of the Committee on Public Health for the Providence Chamber of Commerce, has completed his 1937 report, a voluminous affair which the *Sunday Journal* used as the basis of a feature story, "Providence, the Picture of Health," in a recent issue. In 1937 Providence tied for first place in the national contest based on health activities, and Weller believes that the new report presents an even more favorable picture.

## 1927

Herbert F. Horton is with the U. S. Army Air Corps at 6013 South Central Avenue, Chicago, where he is living at 6951 Oglesby Avenue.

Theodore E. Raynor is on the copy desk of the Phoenix Arizona, *Republic & Gazette*. Ted went out to Arizona two years ago to work for the *Tucson Daily Citizen*.

Eugene M. J. Fahey is a lighting engineer with Public Service Electric & Gas Company, Newark, and lives at 455 Park Avenue, East Orange, N. J.

Robert B. Downes is Professor of History and instructor in economics at University of Miami, Coral Gables, Fla.

Abner B. Auty is back in Providence as a member of the sales staff of Fuller Brush Company, 319 Hospital Trust Building. He is living at 132 Pitman Street.

W. E. (Bill) Meuse, reported last month as taking over the office as assistant general passenger agent of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad in Chicago, has settled in Evans-ton, he writes, where he and Mrs. Meuse and "The Champ," who is 20 months old and is sometimes called Bill, and Mister Mickey, the West Highland white terrier, "make up the happy household. "I like my new assignment very much—and I like Chicago, too," Bill said in his last letter.

Richard R. Almy, who has been a research engineer with E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co. in Richmond, Va., for several years, has returned to Rhode Island. His present address is 197 Greenwood Avenue, Greenwood.

## 1928

Jack Drysdale has been staff correspondent in Boston for the *Springfield Union* since the first of the year. He was writing labor news for the *Union* before going to Boston, where most of his work has had to do with the Legislature and the State House.

## The Cork Incognito

▶ THOMAS G. CORCORAN '22, special counsel of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, is back on duty at his Washington office after recovery from an operation for appendicitis. Newspaper reporters covering President Roosevelt's stay at Warm Springs, Ga., last month had their chance to sound mysterious when Tom arrived one night in Warm Springs incognito, using his given name, Thomas Gardiner. "Only a stop-off on the way back from Florida to Washington," said the President's spokesman.

Charles W. Battle, still on the job with McKinsey Wellington Company, business consultants, at 2 Wall Street, reports a change of mail address to 444 East 57th Street, New York City.

W. W. (Cowboy) Mann made a hurried trip East from Los Angeles late in March to attend the funeral of his uncle, Thomas E. Mann, dean of fishermen in the villages of Gahlee and Jerusalem at the breachway to Point Judith Pond in South County and affectionately known to Rhode Islanders and summer visitors as the "Mayor of Gahlee." Buffeted by the September hurricane which drove him from a sick bed to the roof of his house, Mayor Mann spent two months in hospital as a result of his experiences that stormy afternoon. His neighbors rebuilt his house in token of their love and esteem, and he assured them that he would soon be back lobstering and fishing again. He was a native of Lewisburg, Cape Breton, where he was born 74 years ago.

Jay S. Redding is the author of "To Make a Poet Black," which has been published by the University of North Carolina Press. It is about Negroes as writers; "on their growing emancipation from race as a prison of creative expression."

Dr. Perry Speiser is a practicing physician at 457 Elmwood Avenue, Providence.

G. Frank Ames is still living and working in his old home city of New London, Conn., where his present house address is 262 Connecticut Avenue.

#### 1929

▶ THE '29 GAZETTE, the first number of which came out last month, tells the story of the Tenth Reunion. The Norwich Inn is the place, and the dates are June 17 and 18. Lou Zocca as editor-in-chief of the Gazette has done a grand job, and Chairman Johnny Child and his committee are putting in a lot of hard work to make the reunion one that everybody will remember with pleasure.

John O. Nilan is with the American Mutual Liability Insurance Company at 142 Berkeley Street, Boston.

Elston Cuddeback is on the engineering staff of Sheffield Farms Company, with his office at 524 West 57th Street, New York, and his home at 2 Stowe Avenue, Baldwin, L. I.

Harold S. Sizer of the engineering department of Brown & Sharpe Mfg. Company, Providence, had an article in a recent number of *Machinery* on the care and lubrication of grinding machine spindles for fine finishing. To produce the mirror finishes in demand today, he wrote, a grinding machine must be handled like a sensitive instrument, and the lubricant specified by the manufacturer always used.

Lou Farber, coach of the East Providence High School football team, is looking ahead to next fall when his eleven will go rather far afield to meet New Britain High, which frequently produces one of the best teams in Connecticut.

Robert J. Royce is an engineer with Hudson H. Bubar, consulting engineer at 15 Park Row, New York, and lives at 722 Rahway Avenue, Westfield, N. J.

#### 1930

Nelson Munson is on the sales staff of the Milton Bradley Company, children's toys and books, Springfield, Mass.

Don Flynn, field representative for Ethyl Gasoline Corporation in Boston for the past eight years, has shifted his headquarters to Missouri, where his new business address is 1917 Buchanan Street, North Kansas City.

#### Ungrateful Pupils

▶ FRID AVIS '35, teaching biology and general science at Worcester Academy and also acting as coach of the fencing team, had his picture in the February issue of the Worcester Academy Bulletin with this laudatory caption: "A Long Worcester for 'Doc' Avis, coach of the fencing team. Under his tutelage, the Academy swordsmen are in the midst of their second season without defeat. Testimony to the popularity of the sport is the number of spectators who watch the squad go through the daily drills in the old gymnasium in Walker Hall."

Soon after the article appeared, Avis's Academy fencers lost their first meet. It was against the Brown University Freshmen, and the ironical part of it for Avis was that the Brown Cubs had four of his former Worcester proteges in their lineup. ◀



Fred Avis

#### 1931

Gibbs Macdaniel, native San Antonian and a securities dealer in his home city, has made his beginning in politics in San Antonio, Texas, as candidate for tax commissioner on the Better Government ticket. The San Antonio Express says that the ticket stresses youth. Macdaniel and his fellow candidates assert that "it is the result of the efforts of a group of civic minded citizens, representing the taxpayer, character building, law enforcement and good government groups to find a ticket behind which they might unite."

Hillis K. Idleman is principal of the High School, Branford, Conn., where he lives on Wilford Road.

McAllister Clarke, with Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Company in Chicago, has recently moved to 1520 Old Telegraph Road, Lake Forest, Ill.

George E. Clifford is working for General Motors Acceptance Corporation in Providence and is living at 43 Dean Avenue, Centredale.

Elwood L. Hopkins is practicing law at 905 Turks Head Building, Providence.

Winfield T. Scott, assistant literary editor and radio announcer on the Providence Journal, has changed his house address to 56 Olney Street, Providence.

Richard A. Dummer is teaching at Hebron Academy, Hebron, Me., and is living during the summer at Weld, Me.

Oscar E. Skinner, Jr., and Mrs. Skinner, the former Ann Louise Booth of Bloomfield Hills, Mich., are now at home on the Boston Neck Road, Saunderson. Oscar is with Bodell & Company, investments, in Providence.

W. P. (Bill) Feiten, district traffic manager for United Air Lines in Cleveland for the last two years, has been promoted to assistant to B. B. Gragg, director of sales at Chicago. Bill started with the company seven years ago under Mr. Gragg, then in Cleveland.

#### 1932

Henri Beziat is an associate in the law offices of Higgins & Moore, Stahlman Building, Nashville, Tenn., where his present house address is 2313 Dixie Place. "I'm an office associate," he explained in a recent note, "but am on my own."

Stuart G. Waite, re-elected secretary of the Connecticut Valley Brown Club at the last annual meeting, was on the campus one day last month, looking up acquaintances and checking on Brown men in his area. He came from Springfield primarily to invite Governor Vanderbilt to a dinner to be given by the Springfield Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Nathan Chaset and Dr. Murray Botvin are at present on the staff of Beth Israel Hospital, Boston. Chaset is resident urologist and Botvin is resident physician in nose and throat. "We have a lot of Harvard men and several Columbia men who thought Brown was easy picking in football last fall. Ha!" said Chaset in a recent note.

Thomas J. Hunt, Jr., is working for the W. T. Grant Company department stores, in Johnstown, Pa.

Leon M. Najarian, buyer with G. M. Najarian & Sons, reports a change of house address to 60 Grove Street, Pawtucket.

Steven Scudder is now associated with his father, Eliot R. Scudder '04, with the firm of Jarvis & Jarvis, Inc., manufacturers of casters, wheels and trucks in Palmer, Mass.

A. A. Lubchansky is practicing law at 325 State Street, New London, and living in Quaker Hill, Waterford, Conn.

#### 1933

J. McCall Hughes has left New York City to join the staff of the Mercantile Commerce Bank & Trust Company at Locust, Eighth and St. Charles Streets, St. Louis, Mo. He and his family are now living at 715 Bermuda Avenue, Normandy, Mo., a St. Louis suburb.

Albert Lewitt is in the real estate business at 1360 Commonwealth Avenue, Brookline, Mass., where he lives at 102 Addington Road.

Rev. Richard E. Benson, former curate of Grace Episcopal Chapel and of the Chapel of the Intercession in New York City, has begun his new duties in Trinity Parish, St. Louis, Mo., where his mail address is 600 Euclid Avenue, North.

## BROWN ALUMNI MONTHLY

John B. Murphy is working for the U. S. Employment Service at 8 Green Street, Providence.

Charles Swartz is a salesman for the Mount Hope Finishing Company, North Dighton, Mass. Charlie tells us that his preferred mail address is 239 High Street, Fall River.

Eugene E. McCabe, Jr., has gone back to Fay's Theatre, Providence, as a musician after having done graduate work at Harvard last year. There's a new boy, Alan Edward, in Gene's family.

Herbert H. Mohrfield is with C. P. Mohrfield, Inc., Collingswood, N. J., as heating and air conditioning engineer.

Dave Low is completing a year's work at the School of Public Affairs, American University, Washington, and is taking civil service examinations whenever opportunity offers in hope of getting into some desirable branch of Government service. Dave met Chief Justice Hughes at the Brown dinner in Washington in February. "Afterwards I rode down on the elevator with him and President Wriston," he wrote. "Mr. Hughes lives only one block from me, but when he and President Wriston climbed into the Hughes limousine for the ride home, I didn't quite dare to ask for a ride too, and so took the bus as usual!"

### 1934

► HERE's the makeup of the Fifth Reunion Committee to refresh your memories: John M. Gross, chairman, Oscar P. Hammer, James P. Patton, Bancroft Littlefield, Walter H. Levy, Charles K. Campbell, Philip B. Thoresen and Joseph E. Buonanno. A good committee, and no joke, but no matter how good it is, it must have the backing and support of all members of the Class if

the reunion is to be the success it should be. The dates, you know, are June 17 and 18. So fill in your questionnaire and tell us that you will be here when the first bell rings.

Carleton Hammond is in the Trust Department of Fidelity Union Trust Company, Broad and Bank Streets, Newark. His new house address is 28 Lourraine Street, Glen Ridge, N. J.

Dick Fried is a buyer for M. H. Lamston, Inc., at 25 East 26th Street, New York City, and is living on Sagamore Farm, Newfield Avenue, Stamford, Conn.

Dr. Herbert W. Coone has recently transferred from Norristown, Pa., State Hospital to Cambridge Hospital, Cambridge, Mass.

Gorham Henshaw, Jr., whose marriage is reported elsewhere in this issue, is now working for the Gillette Safety Razor Company, South Boston. He left Charles F. Rittenhouse & Co., public accountants, last month to go to the Gillette factory.

Max Lebida is a laboratory assistant at J. & P. Coats, Inc., cotton spinners, in Pawtucket, and he and Mrs. Lebida, who was Ruth Crowell McIntyre, live at 20 Rand Street, Central Falls.

Sam Marshall is on the sales staff of Gull Refining Company in Toledo, O., where he lives at 3341 Northwood Street.

Joe Buonanno, on leave of absence from the Hope High School Faculty, is helping his father run the Imperial Restaurant on Exchange Place, Providence. Italian dishes are the Buonanno specialty.

Maury Caito has the sympathy of the Class in the loss of his father, John B. Caito, produce merchant and active in church affairs on Federal Hill, who died in Providence on April 16.

### 1935

Henry Tolman 2nd, with United Shoe

### Brown Student Has Wings

► It was the first of a series of 23 races and involved a mere matter of 111 miles. We were told about it by some anonymous friend who dropped a clipping into the mail for us, having seen the item in the New Orleans Times-Picayune on April 3rd. Said the headline: "Brown Student Captures First Bird Race Event."

"Brown Student," we discovered in short order, is a pigeon owned by one Frank Mackel, and it outwined 142 other birds in winning that first race. Released at 8 A. M., it arrived at its loft at 10:46 A. M., averaging about 40 miles an hour. On June 18th, "Brown Student" will have to fly a mere 505 miles. That's the day of the Baccalaureate Sermon.

Machinery Corporation in Beverly, Mass., since he graduated from the School of Business Administration at Harvard in 1937, has been transferred to Connecticut, where his new mail address is 16 Fairview Terrace, Danbury.

Mike DiCesaro is down in Houston, Tex., as laboratory supervisor for the Subterrex Company, soil analysis. He lives at 1423 Richmond Road, Houston. Mike was stock clerk in the Department of Chemistry on the Hill before Texas called.

Norman Zalkind, with Neisner Brothers, Inc., chain stores, wrote last month: "I keep moving so fast that I can't even remember my own address at times. Since the first of the year I have been in Racine, Wis., and now I am back in Chicago again. . . . I expect to be home in June for Commencement." Norm's present address is 3908 Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago.

Jerry Ferry, sales representative in the New York City office of International Business Machines Corporation, has won the distinction of being among the first members of the company's 1939 Hundred Percent Club of sales leaders and executives. As a result, Jerry will be the guest of the 1938 Hundred Percent Club at its annual meeting to be held at the New York World's Fair this month.

Gordon C. Allen is teaching science at Hope High School, Providence.

Stanley Henshaw, Jr., who is with Nicholson File Company, Providence, is living at 34 Blandell Avenue, Pawtucket.

Ed Whitehead and Mrs. Whitehead, married last January, are settled in their apartment at 142 East 71st Street, New York City. Ed is with Edward A. Purcell & Co., brokers, at 120 Broadway.

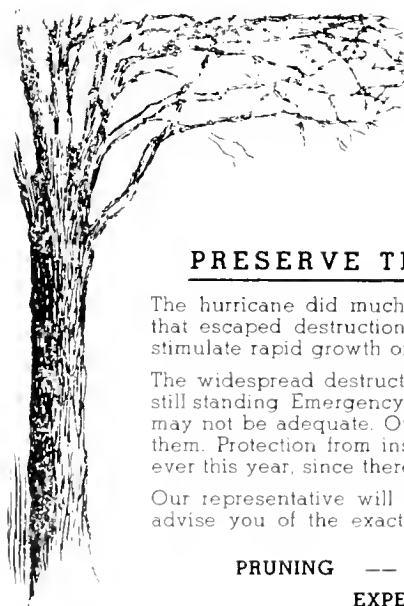
Don Tanner has shifted again to Schenectady after spending several months at the General Electric plant in East Orange, N. J.

Joe Cyckevich, Jr., is credit manager for McKesson and Robbins, Inc., Providence division, at 204 Hartford Avenue.

### 1936

Dick Fallon has recently been transferred to the Incandescent Lamp Department of the General Electric Company in Cleveland. He tells us that his new mail address is 991 Caledonia Avenue, Cleveland Heights, O.

Jack Pierce is secretary of the Pierce Electric Company, electrical contracting engineers, with his office at 367 West Adams Street, Chicago, and his home at 4032 Woodland Avenue, Western Springs, Ill.



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Dick Bristol is a public accountant with Price, Waterhouse & Co., 56 Pine Street, New York City.

Doug Fowler, in a dandy letter last month, told us that he was still with Rockbestos Products Corporation in New Haven, Conn., where his new address is 43 Livingston Street. Doug is in the company office after having started as a machine operator, and is laying the ground work to become a branch office representative.

Gardner E. Wheeler, Jr., is with General Electric Company at 140 Federal Street, Boston.

## 1937

Bruce Gordon was somewhere in Tahiti in April. When he left Macy's in January he hopped his motorcycle, drove to Florida, to Texas, to California, shipped aboard a yacht owned by a Frenchman who lives in Tahiti and started for the South Seas. He hopes to come home by way of Panama, Los Angeles and San Francisco, picking up his motorcycle in the last-named city and having a look at Yellowstone Park and other scenic spots on his way home to Schenectady, N. Y.

Doug Widnall is now working for the Commercial Industrial Trust Company at the Paterson, N. J., branch.

Hugh Conklin is traveling through the Middle West as a member of the inspection staff of Associated Factory Mutuals. His mail address is in care of the company at 111 Washington Street, Chicago.

Art Saklad is a salesman for Early and Moor, Inc., importers and exporters at 139 Blackstone Street, Boston. Art and Mrs. Saklad (they were married in February) are now settled at 116 Englewood Avenue, Brookline, Mass. Art said in a recent note that Don Daniels is finding Brown men good insurance prospects and that Win Kirby is hustling for his photo-engraving outfit, "what with a recent bundle from Heaven."

Gerry Smithson is now with the General Electric Company in Schenectady, N. Y., where he lives at 1422 State Street.

Grove S. Dow, Jr., is working in the Headlight Division laboratory of the General Motors Corporation in Anderson, Ind.

## 1938

Frank Foster is a junior salesman for Johnson & Johnson, manufacturers of surgical dressings. He is still getting his mail at 14 Sunnyside Avenue, Saugus, Mass.

Jack Cahalan, Jr., is a student engineer with General Electric Company in his home city of Lynn, Mass.

Paul Welch is working for the Blackstone

**Book Dealer's Thrill**

► CHARLIE EBERSTADT '34 of Edward Eberstadt & Sons, rare book dealers at 55 West 42nd Street, New York City, had the thrill of a lifetime when he recently unearthed a first edition of Edgar Allen Poe's "Murders in the Rue Morgue." It is one of the seven known to be still in existence.

Valley Gas & Electric Company in Pawtucket, where he is living at 10 Dryden Avenue.

Curtis Watson is assistant in the English Department at Haverford College.

Ed Heintz, who has been with the Springfield, Mass., City Library since graduation, has become director of the Springfield Consumers' Co-operative.

R. J. Novogrod is studying in the Division of Government of the Harvard Graduate School, Cambridge, Mass.

Ed Fontaine reports a change of mail address to 295 Fort Washington Avenue, New York City.

Walt Covell, on the staff of National Broadcasting Company in New York City, was at his home in Barrington for a visit last month and while there told the members of the physics class at the Leander R. Peck High School some of the latest facts about television.

Sam Rubin has been elected president of the first year class at the New York University Law School.

Roland A. Hueston, Jr., is a student teacher at the Mt. Pleasant High School, Providence.

Milt Rigelhaupt is sales manager for the Pawtucket Wine Company at 381 Main Street, Pawtucket.

Lucas Mayer is a student engineer with the Narragansett Electric Company, Providence.

Charlie Walsh, Jr., is working for the Atlantic Refining Company in Providence.

Bob Brush is reported to be on the staff of the Tax Foundation, with his office in Rockefeller Center, New York City.

**Engagements**

►► MISS NATHALIE DUREE JACOBS, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Jacobs of Providence, to John L. Horton '31 of Garden City, N. Y.

Miss Gale Elizabeth Harrison, daughter of J. Garfield Harrison of Wrentham, Mass., to Walter L. Kelley, Jr., '32 of Pawtucket.

Miss Ruth Elizabeth Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David P. Campbell of Providence, to Franklin A. Hurd '33, also of Providence. Miss Campbell is a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music.

Miss Ruth Alberta Button, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Button of Syracuse, N. Y., to Dr. Donald B. Fletcher '34 of Boston and Arlington, Mass.

Miss Helen Davis Morrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver J. Morrell of Ogunquit, Me., to Carl S. Whitman '34 of Providence.

Miss Marjorie Jane Larrison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Larrison of Rexford, Pa., to J. Gerry Cannon '35 of New York and Greenwich, Conn.

Mrs. Thelma Tipson Alker, daughter of Mrs. Leonard Dreyfuss of New York, to William Y. Dear, Jr., '36 of Montclair, N. J.

Miss Mary Worcester Bill, daughter of Mrs. Harold Curtis Bill of Danbury, Conn., to Richard E. Briggs '36 of Mt. Kisco, N. Y. Miss Bill is a graduate of Smith College.

Miss Eleanore Gaehler Whiting, daughter of Mrs. Edith E. Whiting of New Haven, Conn., to Gavin A. Pitt '38 of Providence and Norwich, Conn. Miss Whiting is a graduate of Lasell Junior College.

Miss Barbara W. Pierce, daughter of Roy W. Pierce of Providence, to Alexander W. Keema, Jr., '38 of Edgewood and Hartford, Conn.

**Weddings**

► 1925—Jack Cole Richardson and Miss Katherine A. Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Edgar Brown of Washington, D. C., were married in New York City, April 22, 1939.

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1927—Jeremy F. Bagster-Collins and Miss Mary Treat Kunkel, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Beverly W. Kunkel of Easton, Pa., were married in Easton, April 1, 1939. They will live in New York City, where Mr. Bagster-Collins is on the Faculty of Finch Junior College.

1929—Dr. J. Herbert Pearson and Miss Alice J. Deely, daughter of Thomas H. Deely, were married in Lee, Mass., April 15, 1939. After a wedding trip to Bermuda, they will live in Wilmington, Del.

1931—Thomas G. Desmond and Miss Marie B. Dunigan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice P. Dunigan, were married in Woodbridge, N. J., April 10, 1939. Coleridge M. Hutson '29 was an usher. Mr. and Mrs. Desmond will live in Woodbridge.

1932—Samuel D. Mott and Miss Margaret Edith Fee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Fee of Seattle, Wash., were married in New Rochelle, N. Y., April 2, 1939. Thomas B. Sweatt '32 was best man. Mr. and Mrs. Mott will live in New York City.

1934—Gorham Henshaw, Jr., and Miss Muriel Ardelle Hutchison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hutchison of Bradford, Mass., were married in Bradford, April 15, 1939. They will soon be at home at 47 St. Mary's Street, Brookline, Mass.

1934—John Robert Wren and Miss Mary Flint Coy, graduate of Pembroke College in 1932, were married in the Little Church Around the Corner, New York City, Jan. 28, 1939. They are at home at 140 East 31st Street, New York.

1935—Antonio Capasso and Miss Elvira Dolores Patriarca, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Patriarca, were married in Providence, April 10, 1939. Ushers were Joseph E. Buonanno and Maury J. Canto '34 and John J. Kelly '36. Mr. and Mrs. Capasso are at home at 366 Broadway, Providence.

1935—Laban W. Bond and Miss Muriel Florence Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin F. Lewis of New York City, were married in New York, April 15, 1939. They will live in Attleboro, Mass.

1937—John D. Casey, son of Charles D. Casey '04 and Mrs. Casey, and Miss Emma Adelaide Warner, daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Reuben Warner of New Milford, Conn., were married in New Milford, April 15, 1939. Thomas B. Casey '34 was his brother's best man. Mr. and Mrs. Casey will be at home at 19 Claremont Avenue, Providence. Mrs. Casey is a graduate of Pembroke College '37.

## Births

► 1907—To Dr. and Mrs. Asa S. Briggs of Providence a son, Denison Wells, on April 11, 1939.

1920—To Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Lownes of Providence, a third daughter, Carol Spring, March 29, 1939.

1921—To Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Mochau of Providence, a daughter, Barbara Jane, April 14, 1939.

1923—To Mr. and Mrs. W. Chesley Worthington of Providence, a son, William Chesley Worthington, Jr., March 26, 1939.

1928—To Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Frazee of East Brightwaters, L. I., a second daughter, Janice Gail, March 21, 1939.

1928—To Mr. and Mrs. George R. Merchant of Scarsdale, N. Y., a son, Mason Buge, March 29, 1939.

1928—To Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wilson Ford of Providence, a son, Herman Wilson Ford, Jr., April 7, 1939.

1929—To Dr. and Mrs. Everet H. Wood of Auburn, N. Y., a daughter, Mary Carolyn, March 28, 1939.

1930—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Howard, a daughter on April 18, 1939.

1932—To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley C. Paige of Westerly, a daughter, Judith, April 4, 1939.

1933—To Mr. and Mrs. George C. Whitney of Worcester, Mass., a son, David Grainger, March 28, 1939.

1933—To Mr. and Mrs. Eugene E. McCabe, Jr., of Providence, a son, Alan Edward, March 14, 1939.

1935—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Salant of New York City, a daughter, Margaret Earle, March 19, 1939. ◀ ◀

## Completed Careers

### 1882

► ► CHARLES LINCOLN BARTLETT, advisory counsel of the Chicago Title & Trust Company and a member of the Illinois bar since 1885, died of a heart attack at his winter home in Pasadena, Calif., March 19, 1939. His funeral was held at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Evanston, Ill., of which his friend, the late Rev. Dr. Arthur Rogers '86, was rector for many years.

Mr. Bartlett's association with the Chicago Title & Trust Company began in 1892 when he became its attorney. In 1901 he was named general counsel. He retired from this post in 1925, but continued to serve as advisory counsel and vice president. He was also a director.

Born in Morris, Ill., Sept. 4, 1860, the son of Rufus and Sarah B. Bartlett, he entered Brown from LeRoy Academic Institute, LeRoy, N. Y. In Senior year he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. On graduation he became a master at De Veaux College, Suspension Bridge, N. Y., with Latin, Greek, German and mathematics as his subjects. He resigned in 1884 to study law in Chicago. His specialty in later years was real estate law, and he wrote numerous briefs and pamphlets on this subject. Brown awarded him the A.M. degree in 1890.

He was a past president of the Evanston Club and a member of the Brown University Club in Chicago, the University Club, and the Glen View Golf Club. He was married March 23, 1895, to Miss Marie M. Baker of New York, who died some years ago.

### 1884

► REV. JOHN DABOLL, who at the age of 60 realized a lifelong ambition to be a minister, died at a private hospital in Newton Highlands, Mass., March 21, 1939. Since 1923 he had been minister of the New Church (Swedenborgian) in Brookline, Mass.

"In 1921," he has written, "I decided to 'bet my life' on the ministry and went to the New Church Theological Seminary in Cambridge for a year. Within ten days of my finishing my work at the seminar I re-

ceived and declined a call to be president of Urbana University, a church school in Urbana, O. . . . Then came the chance to be assistant in my own church society in Newtonville, although they frankly told me that they did not want me permanently because I was too old."

But he carried on as superintendent of the Sunday School, chairman of the budget, music and acquaintance committees, preached every other Sunday and conducted weekday classes until he went to the Brookline New Church in September, 1923. He had previously declined a call to be minister in San Francisco.

"So it has taken me a long time," he continued, "to find my chosen profession after serving as school teacher in Providence, working in the factory of the Thomson-Houston Electric Company in Lynn, having charge of a foundry for the same concern, then being assistant superintendent of a forge in Portland, Me., then bookkeeper for the same concern, then private secretary to the president of Mellin's Food Company, then secretary of the General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States, and finally Comptroller of Accounts for the City of Newton for eight years."

Rev. Mr. Daboll was born on what is now Daboll Street, Providence, June 27, 1862, the son of David L. and Mary Daboll. At Brown he was a steady, thorough-going student who was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in Senior year. Before going into business he taught for six years in Providence schools. He was married June 14, 1893, to Elmira Beaman of Cincinnati, O., and there are four daughters and nine grandchildren surviving. One of the daughters is Mrs. Wendell S. Brown, wife of Wendell S. Brown '11 and mother of W. Stimpson Brown, Jr., '37, Edmund D. Brown '39 and Roger H. Brown '41.

### 1899

► LUTHER WATTLES SIMONDS, pharmacist, died at his home in Watertown, Mass., Jan. 1, 1939. He was a special student with the Class in 1895-96 and from January to

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June, 1897. In 1930 he finished a four-year course in the study of medicine at the Middlesex College of Medicine and Surgery, but business conditions made it necessary for him to postpone his plans to become a doctor.

He was born in Providence, May 8, 1875, the son of John V. and Ellen M. (Wattles) Simonds. He entered the retail drug business after leaving preparatory school, took special courses at Brown and opened a drug store in Pawtucket. A serious illness forced him to sell out about 1904, and for two years after his recovery he traveled for the Eli Lilly Company of Indianapolis, a pharmaceutical concern. Then he set up business again in Watertown, where he continued active until his last sickness.

His determination to become a doctor gave him strength and faith to carry on business and his studies for four unusually busy years. He had arranged to serve his internship at Boston City Hospital when the depression interrupted. As business conditions failed to improve, he was unable to complete his practical work and win his degree.

He was a member of St. Johns Lodge of Masons, Providence, a charter member of Watertown Royal Arch Chapter, and a member of Gethsemane Commandery, Knights Templar, of Newtonville. He was married April 26, 1909, to E. Lillian Bowles, who survives, with three sons, and a sister, Mrs. Nellie M. Arnold of Conimicut. There is also another son, Arthur C. Simonds, by his first wife, who was Sarah Cross of Providence.

#### 1908

► **OSMORE WHEELER BUDDINGTON**, electrical engineer with the New Haven Railroad since 1922, died of pneumonia at New Haven, Conn., March 20, 1939.

Born in Wilmington, Del., Sept. 25, 1886, the son of Rev. Osmer G. and Mary (Wheeler) Buddington, he prepared at Wilmington Military Academy. At Brown he received the Sc.B. degree in electrical engineering. He was a quiet, hard-working student, "more or less self contained," as he himself once expressed it.

On graduation he went to work in Schenectady for the General Electric Company, and in 1913 went out to India to supervise the installation of machinery for the Lata Hydroelectric Generating Station in the hills behind Bombay. On his return to this country in 1915 he resumed his work at the General Electric plant and remained there until the end of 1919. For the past 17 years he had been on the electrical staff of the New Haven Railroad.

A bachelor, he is survived by a brother, Professor Arthur F. Buddington '12, chairman of the Department of Geology at Princeton, Dr. Weston T. Buddington of Boston, half brother, and Mrs. Carlene H. List of Everett, Mass., half sister. His great uncle was Capt. James M. Buddington, master of whaling ships who with a skeleton crew brought the British rescue ship Resolute out of the Arctic ice, where she had been abandoned, and anchored her safely in New London harbor in December, 1855.

#### 1912

► **HOWARD BAKER ANDREWS** died suddenly in Warren, March 17, 1939. He had been in automobile sales work for the past 25 years. During the World War he enlisted in the Brown University Ambulance Corps and then transferred to the Air Serv-

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ice in which he held the rank of First Lieutenant at the time of his honorable discharge in February, 1919.

He was born in Providence in 1889, the son of Frank H. Andrews '84 and Catherine M. (Baker) Andrews. He prepared at Classical High School and spent two years at Brown. Before and after his war service he was manager of Peerless Motor Cars for Joseph McCormick in East Providence, and in recent years he had been conducting his own business in Providence.

He was married Aug. 14, 1918, to Lylle May Haley of San Antonio, Tex., who survives, with his father, a brother, Frank C. Andrews '26, and a sister. His uncles are George F. Andrews '92 and Dr. Arthur Irving Andrews '01. His fraternity was Psi Upsilon.

#### 1913

► **BENJAMIN MALCOLM HARRIS**, Federal Probation Officer for Connecticut and an ordained minister, died suddenly at his home in North Haven, Conn., March 12, 1939. He suffered a severe nervous breakdown last July as a result of overwork.

Born in Kingston, Mass., Sept. 8, 1893, the son of Rev. Benjamin R. and Agnes A. (Wilder) Harris, he entered Brown from Simonds Free High School, Warner, N. H., shortly after his 16th birthday. He was on his class swimming team two years and was a varsity swimmer in Junior year. From Brown he went to Newton Theological In-

stitution, received the B.D. degree in 1916 and became a Baptist minister at Haverhill, Mass. While serving as pastor of the Baptist Church in Fairfax, Vt., he studied at the University of Vermont and won his A.M. degree in 1918.

From June, 1918, to March, 1919, he was a Y. M. C. A. secretary engaged in war work at the Naval Torpedo Station, Newport, and the Rumford Rifle Range. He came back to Brown in 1919 as assistant in philosophy and at the same time assumed the pastorate of the Baptist Church in Arlington. He lectured in philosophy on the Hill, 1920-22, and earned his Ph.D. degree in 1923. He left Brown to become assistant minister of the First Church (Unitarian) Boston, and he served Unitarian churches in Albany and North Haven before he was appointed Federal Probation Officer, a non-political post, in February, 1937.

He was active in community life, organizing religious services which later grew into the present Church of Christ in Spring Glen, and serving on the North Haven Board of Education. He was a member of the North Haven Public Health Association, the Yale Library Associates, the Brown Club of New Haven, the Masons, and Kappa Sigma, and was a director of the Associated Alumni and the Goodwill Industries. He was married Nov. 30, 1916, to Helen L. Waterman, who survives, with his mother, three sons, Richard, Marshall

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and David, and a daughter, Elizabeth Nathalie Harris. His brother was the late Dr. Reginald G. Harris '18.

### 1913

► WILLIAM MATTHEW SULLIVAN, lawyer and former Rhodes Scholar, died in Fall River General Hospital, March 23, 1939, as a result of injuries suffered when he fell a week before.

Born in Fall River, Jan. 2, 1891, the son of Cornelius and Julia (Murphy) Sullivan, he came to college from B. M. C. Durfee High School and during his four years on the Hill "made his influence felt for good in many activities." He played on his class baseball and football teams, three years on the Brown basketball team, was a Francis Wayland Scholar in Sophomore year, Carpenter Prize Speaker, Class Treasurer, Junior Marshal, managing editor of *Liber Brunensis*, chairman of the Spring Day Committee, president of the Brown Union, and member of the Cammarian Club, Sphinx, and Phi Beta Kappa, to which he was elected in Junior year. He gave the address to undergraduates on Class Day and received his A.B. and A.M. degrees at Commencement.

From Brown he went to Harvard Law School, but withdrew at the end of the first year to accept appointment to Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar. At Oxford, then operating under the blighting conditions of war, he registered at St. John's to read for the B.C.L. degree. But, as a contemporary has written, "his life was caught up in the surge of world events, and his scholastic pursuits were seriously interrupted." In 1915 he served with distinction as a volunteer with the Commission for Relief of Belgium, and in 1916 was with the American Ambulance Service in France. In 1917 he enlisted in the American Army, became a First Lieutenant of Infantry, and saw active service in France with the First and 35th Divisions, A.E.F. In 1919 he came home with his First Lieutenant's insignia and one wound stripe.

After passing the Massachusetts bar examinations, he commenced the practice of law in Fall River. In 1920 he was an unsuccessful candidate for nomination as Mayor of Fall River; and thereafter he gradually withdrew from political and public

circles and for the rest of his life maintained only a few intimate contacts. He was the first commander of Frank Allen Wilcox Post, American Legion, and was a member of Phi Kappa and Delta Sigma Rho. Surviving are two brothers, Alfred J. Sullivan '18 and Dr. Timothy J. Sullivan, and a sister, Mrs. John Corbett.

### 1917

► CALVERT HOLT, who died in Greenwich, Conn., June 29, 1938, was a student at Brown during the first semester of his Freshman year, 1913-14. Since leaving college he had been variously engaged in banking, mining and sales work, and as a model maker. At the time of his death he was associated with Air Reduction Company in New York City.

His father was Dr. L. Emmett Holt, internationally known pediatrician who re-

ceived the honorary degree of Sc.D. from Brown in 1914 and whose book, "The Care and Feeding of Infants," has been translated in many languages and circulated throughout the world. His mother was Linda F. Mairs. Calvert Holt was born in New York, Oct. 16, 1892, and prepared for college at The Hill School and Horace Mann School. His fraternity was Psi Upsilon.

During the World War he saw active service as Chief Machinist Mate, U.S.N. R.F. After the war he worked for nearly two years in the Bond Department, Bankers Trust Company, and thereafter was treasurer of the Cumberland Mining Company and a partner of Holt & Holt, mining operators. He was married Oct. 7, 1926, to Julia Granger Porter, who survives, with two sons and a daughter. ◀ ◀

## Pembroke Chronicle ◀

By GERTRUDE ALLEN McCONNELL '10  
*Executive Secretary of the Alumnae Association*

### Class Notes

► ► 1900—Emeline Fitz was hostess to the members of her class at a meeting and tea at the Brown Farm in Seekonk on April 22nd.

1901—Louise Gamwell Cobb has the sincere sympathy of the alumnae in the loss of her husband.

1907 had a class supper in Alumnae Hall on April 15th.

1913—Mildred Bosworth Brown is now living at 246 Waterman Street, Providence.

1914—Alta Bosworth Cameron was hostess to the members of her class at a supper and bridge on April 28th at her home in Barrington.

1915—Nancy Steere has the sympathy of the alumnae in the loss of her brother.

1915—Ruth Henderson Cross and family have returned to Paris, where her husband is in the consular service. She can be reached at 68 Avenue de la Bourdonnais, Paris.

1916—Albertine Butts spent her Easter vacation in Bermuda.

1917—Elizabeth de W. Root, in addition to her work as librarian in Hartford, is

doing graduate work in Arabic at the Hartford Seminary.

1918—Helen A. Mowry visited the Alumnae Office during her brief vacation at Skidmore College.

1919—Ingeborg Toll Mears and family have returned from California and are located at 100 Little Falls, Falls Church, Virginia.

1920—Margaret Pressey Moore's new home in Greenwood was illustrated in the *Providence Sunday Journal* for April 16th.

1920—Avis Pillsbury has the sympathy of the alumnae in the loss of her mother.

1921—Lois Wilbur Blackmore and husband are occupying their new home at 821 Finland St., Pittsburgh, Penn. She is still teaching at Margaret Morrison College.

1924—Hilda Hoffman's old home in Lyndonville, Vermont, was featured in "Old Time New England" in January, 1939. Daniel Cahoon, a great-great-grandfather, who built the house, was one of a committee of three in charge of building the First Baptist Meeting House in Providence.

1927—Anne Crawford Jonah has the sympathy of the alumnae in the loss of her second son with a sudden attack of croup. He was eleven months old. Her first son

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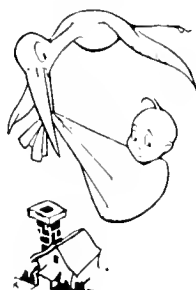
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died at the age of two when he was given an anesthetic in the hospital because of an injury to his finger.

1931—Rosamond Danielson has returned from Washington, D. C., where she has been doing library work for the past year, and now has a position in the Public Library in Providence. She is living at 233 Bowen Street.

1932—Marjorie Holt Dennis from Arlington, Va., was a recent visitor at the Alumnae Office.

1935—Dorothy Schloss Abramson from Washington, D. C., visited the Alumnae Office last month.

1937—Eleanor Driscoll is teaching in the Westerly High School.

1938—Marion Couch has a position in the Porter Hospital, Middlebury, Vt.

1938—Eleanor Crost is spending a few months in Hawaii.

1938—Martha Crovitz is with the National Coordinating Committee for German Refugees and is living at 204 East 47th St., New York City.

1938—Leah Dooley is enjoying her graduate work at the University of Michigan. She is living at 603 Munroe Street, Ann Arbor, Mich. ◀ ◀

### Engagements

▶ ▶ 1929—Ruth Hovey to G. Bramwell Jackson. Mr. Jackson is a graduate of Amherst and of the Harvard School of Business Administration.

1929—Angela F. O'Neil to Dr. Robert L. Farrell.

1938—Ruth Mann to Dr. Irving Klampus. Dr. Klampus is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and Harvard Medical School.

### Weddings

▶ 1925—Marguerite Perregaux was married on March 4, 1939, to Emil Murry, a former member of the Class of 1929 at Brown. Their address is R.F.D., Saylesville, R. I.

1927—Frances B. Salomon is married to Thomas E. Murphy and is living at 32 Cambridge St., Elmwood, Conn.

1932—Helen Bostater was married to Archibald Welsh Macintyre in Palm Beach, Florida, on March 25, 1939. They are located temporarily at 338 Rutland Ave., West Englewood, N. J.

1935—Virginia Kempton is married to Delbert Connor. They are living at 182 Academy Avenue, Providence.

1937—Emma Adaline Warner was married to John Dyer Casey, Brown '37, on April 15, 1939, in New Milford, Conn. They are living at 19 Claremont Avenue, Providence.

1938—Edith Chunien Bien was married to Palmer Chiyuan Sze at the Hong Kong Hotel in Hong Kong on March 31, 1939. Mr. Sze is a graduate of Yenching University and Harvard Business School, and has been associated with the National City Bank of New York. He is at present head of the Foreign Exchange Division of the Canton Branch of the Central Bank of China.

### Births

▶ 1927—To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Beecher (Clare Ryan), a son, Joseph Michael, on November 15, 1938. They are living at 68 Waverly St., Roxbury, Mass.

1927—To Mr. and Mrs. Allyn J. Crooker (Gertrude Squires), a second daughter, Constance Barbara, on January 23, 1939. They are at 97 West Vaughn St., Kingston, Penn.

1927—To Dr. and Mrs. John L. Kend-

rick (Theodora Ladd), a son, Robert Ladd, in February.

1928—To Mr. and Mrs. John E. Carr (Helen Drontour), a daughter, Roberta Carol, on April 2, 1939. The Carrs are living at 95 Albert Avenue, Edgewood, R. I.

1928—To Mr. and Mrs. George C. Whitney (Emily Grainger), a second son and third child, David Grainger, on March 28, 1939. The Whitneys live at 132 Russell St., Worcester.

1929—To Dr. and Mrs. Alfred B. Sund-

quist (Vera Matteson), a second daughter, Lynne Janet, on September 10, 1938. They are living at 98 Princeton St., Manchester, Conn.

1936—To Mr. and Mrs. Carter Hayward (Elizabeth Shetman), a son, Carter Dennis, on April 11, 1938. They are living in Rumford.

1936—To Mr. and Mrs. John E. Pearson (Virginia Taylor), a son, Taylor Peter, on February 27, 1939. They are living at 30 Highland Ave., Watertown, Conn. ◀ ◀

## ▶ The Alumnae Clubs

▶ ▶ PROVIDENCE—The Club held an interesting meeting at the Rhode Island School of Design on April 19th. Dr. Alexander Dörner, the Director, took the alumnae on a personally conducted tour and then gave an illuminating address on Van Gogh.

FALL RIVER—The members of the Club invited the members of the Fall River branch of the American Association of University Women to visit the Dance Group at Pembroke College on April 12th and to have tea afterwards in the Crystal Room of Alumnae Hall.

BRISTOL COUNTY—Dean Morris was the guest of the Club at a meeting in Bristol on April 21st.

WORCESTER—Amy Colvin Brooks was hostess to the members of the Club and to the undergraduates at a tea at her home on April 8th. The pourers were Lorna Kendall Snow '34, president, Helen Crafts Patton '27, and Marjorie Daw Morrissey '34.

EASTERN CONNECTICUT—Catherine Jordan '35 was hostess to the alumnae of Eastern Connecticut at a silver tea at her home on Sunday, March 19th. Miss Bessie H. Rudd, Director of the Physical Education Department, gave an interesting talk on Pembroke's health program. Gertrude Allen McConnell spoke on alumnae activities and the Campus Carnival.

NEW HAVEN—The members held a tea for the undergraduates and prospective freshmen on Sunday, April 2nd, in the Sterling Tower at Yale. The committee in charge of arrangements consisted of Helen Sullivan Hoff '29, president, Hannah Nicholson Benson '11, Susan Demery '31, Shirley Bowman '34, and Helen Howard Nowls '34.

HARTFORD—The Club held its annual luncheon at the Mayfair Tearoom in West Hartford on April 15th. Dean Morris gave a graphic picture of the present day college and the plans for its future development. Gertrude Allen McConnell spoke on plans for the Campus Carnival on May 20th, which a number of the Hartford alumnae are planning to attend.

NEW YORK—The members held a fashion show in March which had its comic note, for it combined costumes of other days with the last word in fashions of the present time. Old gym costumes, prom dresses of long ago, an heirloom wedding dress, automobile dusters and the like were in marked contrast to the afternoon, street and evening clothes as shown by Phil MacDonald of 19 West 57th Street. The door-prize, a custom made dress, was won by Annette Sheridan Rounds '29.

WASHINGTON—Three alumnae from Providence and three undergraduates at

Pembroke descended upon the Club for a delightful dinner meeting on April 3rd in one of the private dining rooms at the national headquarters of the American Association of University Women. Jessica Barr '13, President, presided at the dinner, and the alumnae who spoke were Nettie Goodale Murdock '95, Chairman of the Loan Committee of the Rhode Island Society for the Collegiate Education of Women; Gertrude Allen McConnell '10, Executive Secretary of the Alumnae Association; and Ethel Humphrey Anderson '29, Secretary of the Brown Alumnae Fund. The undergraduates who attended were Elizabeth Goodale '39, President of International Relations Club; Katherine Carr '40, and Joyce Gurn '42.

ST. LOUIS—Hazel Buckey Coffey '09 entertained the St. Louis alumnae at luncheon on March 24th. She wrote: "We all enjoyed Dorothy Hanson Hughes '33. It seems fine to finally have a foursome here Bessie Higgins Perry '19, Alice Walter Fulton '30 and I are the others. Mrs. Abbott Dean (Elizabeth Baker '22) writes me that she will probably be in St. Louis in May when her husband comes here for a medical convention. We intend to use our opportunity to meet an authoress at luncheon. If our St. Louis Scholarship applicant should win, we'll invite her and her mother." ◀ ◀

### As They Saw Lincoln

▶ FORGOTTEN scraps of information about Abraham Lincoln, buried in the yellowed pages of newspapers published a century ago, are being brought to light and made available to students of the Emancipator under a special project now under way at Brown University.

With the aid of the Historical Records Bureau of the Works Progress Administration, more than 2,000 items concerning the Civil War president have been found in Illinois papers, published between 1835 and 1860, when Lincoln was a young man and before he reached the White House.

References to these items have been catalogued and filed in Brown's McLellan Collection of Lincolniana, already recognized as one of the most complete of its kind in the world. Scholars will be able, as the project continues, to locate source material much more easily than before.

"Newspaper items concerning Lincoln are particularly valuable for students of his life and times," Miss Esther C. Cushman, custodian of the McLellan Collection, says. "As sources of information, they often shed interesting light on little known facts of his career. They are perhaps even more valuable in many instances as a record of contemporary opinion." ◀



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